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ITALIANS GOT MORE TRENCHES ON CARSO AND BEYOND GORIZIA

Captured Trenches on Slopes of Monte Pecinka and Near San Caterina and San Marco, East of City Recently Taken; Added 345 Prisoners to Total; Made a Raid on the Asiago Plateau

Rome, Aug. 16.—Further advances by Italian troops in their campaign against the Austrians east and southeast of Gorizia were announced to-day by the war office. Austrian trenches along the slopes of Monte Pecinka, on the northern edge of the Carso plateau, and in the neighborhood of San Caterina and San Marco, east of Gorizia, were taken.

The text of the statement follows:

"On the Carso plateau and in the hilly area east of Gorizia heavy train and trench mortars are active. Our infantry succeeded in capturing enemy trenches along the slopes of Monte Pecinka, on the northern edge of the Carso plateau, and in the neighborhood of San Caterina and San Marco, east of Gorizia. We took 345 prisoners, including 11 officers.

"On the remainder of the front the usual attacks were repulsed.

Made Raid.

Four detachments on the Asiago plateau raided some trenches on the slopes of Monte Mosciag. Under heavy artillery and rifle fire they inflicted damage upon the defences and withdrew unmolested with some prisoners.

"A squadron of 14 Caproni aeroplanes, escorted by Nieuport pursuit machines, yesterday bombed railway and military establishments near the important stations of Pracevina and Dornberg. Ninety high explosive shells were dropped and good results were observed. Our machines returned safely."

GREATER LOAN FOR ALLIES IN STATES

Flotation of \$250,000,000, to Protect Exchange, Will Be Followed by Another

New York, Aug. 16.—Formal announcement was made to-day by J. P. Morgan & Company, as syndicate managers of the new loan to Great Britain. It will aggregate \$250,000,000, and will run for two years at 5 per cent. interest.

Associated with Morgan & Company are several of the leading banks, trust companies and banking houses of this city, Boston, Pittsburgh and Chicago. The details of the loan are virtually the same as have been published already in unofficial forecasts. It is described as a negotiation "by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland," and is in the form of gold notes, dated September 1, 1916.

The government reserves the right to redeem the entire issue in whole or in part on thirty days' notice at any time up to August 31, 1917, at 101 and accrued interest.

Security.

Pledged against the loan are securities to the value of \$300,000,000, divided into three groups of \$100,000,000 each, which include stocks, bonds and other securities of American corporations, securities of the Dominion of Canada and the C.F.R., and securities of Argentina, Chile, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Denmark and Holland.

The banking syndicate will underwrite the notes at 98 and interest.

Another Loan.

London, Aug. 16.—The new loan to be raised in the United States for Great Britain is regarded in banking circles as a preliminary move to protect exchange, which recently has been showing signs of dropping. The amount of the issue is so small, however, that the belief is expressed that a more comprehensive operation, which will include countries allied to Great Britain, may be undertaken in the near future.

GERMAN PLOTTERS IN U. S. HAVE NEW PLAN

Port Madison, Iowa, Aug. 16.—Investigation of an alleged plot to poison horses consigned to agents of the entente powers was started to-day by officials of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway. The serious illness of a shipment of horses from Kansas City to Fort Madison recently led to the investigation. Officers assert they found evidence which tended to show that the horses had been given poison.

ITALIANS DETERMINED TO CAPTURE TRIESTE



Trieste, Aug. 16.—It is reported that Germany is taking over the defences of Trieste, sending troops especially organized for that purpose, says a dispatch to the Temps from Milan to-day.

The above dispatch indicates that the German government is alarmed by the strides the Italians have made in their drive in the region of the Lower Isonzo. The capture of Trieste would be a disaster of the first magnitude for the tottering dual monarchy and the German government is not blind to the effect it would have on the murmuring masses of Austria-Hungary, who would find in the development new ground on which to base their demand for peace. The Italian general staff is determined to take Trieste. As a result of the successes won since the drive was started, the Italian line now extends from a point east of Gorizia (Gor), across the Carso Plateau, east of Montefalcone and to the Gulf of Trieste, at its nearest point, being only some 18 miles from Trieste.

MINOR ACTIONS NEAR POZIERES; NO CHANGES EITHER NORTH OR SOUTH OF SOMME, LONDON AND PARIS STATE

London, Aug. 16.—"With the exception of minor infantry engagements in the vicinity of Pozieres, where our line is being consolidated, there was no change between the Ancre and the Somme," the war office reported to-day. "There was some heavy shelling by both sides during the night."

French Report.

Paris, Aug. 16.—A fairly lively bombardment was carried on last night on the Verdun front in the Thiaumont, Fleury and Vaux-Chapitre sectors, east of the Meuse. Along the greater part of the front

the night passed quietly, an official report issued this afternoon says.

The text of the statement follows:

"The night was calm on the greater part of the front.

"In the Champagne, in the region of Tahure, and in the Argonne, towards Harazee, we dispersed some German patrols.

"On the Verdun front there was a fairly lively bombardment in the Thiaumont, Fleury and Vaux-Chapitre sectors.

"Aviation—Last night enemy aeroplanes dropped some bombs on Belfort. There were no victims."

RAID ON AUSTRIAN PORT NEAR TRIESTE

**Italian and French Aeroplanes
Bombarded Munitions Factories and Hangars**

Rome, Aug. 16.—A squadron of Italian hydroaeroplanes, assisted by French hydroaeroplanes and aeroplanes, yesterday morning raided munitions factories and hangars at Muggia, an Austrian seaport on the Gulf of Trieste, five miles southwest of Trieste. Numerous destructive fires were observed. One of the French aeroplanes was lost.

The facts were given in the following official statement:

"A squadron of Italian hydroaeroplanes, together with French hydroaeroplanes and aeroplanes, on Tuesday morning bombarded the munitions factories and hangars at Muggia, near Trieste, causing numerous destructive fires.

"The French lost one aeroplane while resisting those of the enemy. Otherwise the entire Franco-Italian squadron returned safely to its base."

GERMANY PROPOSES TO CARVE AUSTRIA-HUNGARY FOR THE ROUMANIANS

Bucharest, Aug. 16.—Germany has proposed territorial compensation at the expense of Austria-Hungary as a reward for continued neutrality on the part of Roumania, according to a story published in the Epoca to-day.

FIVE POISONED ON QUEEN CHARLOTTE

Prince Rupert, Aug. 16.—Mrs. Sipes and her two children, of Port Clements, Queen Charlotte Islands, are dead, and Mrs. Sipes's mother and another child are dying as a result of eating fish which Mrs. Sipes had preserved recently. The whole family were seized with terrible pains, and the mother and children collapsed before aid could be rendered by neighbors attracted by the grandmother who, herself, is seriously ill.

ANOTHER DEUTSCHLAND TALE.

The Hague, Aug. 16.—Two German submarines of the Deutschland type have just been given trials off Heligoland, advised received here to-day state. It is expected that they will be sent to the United States soon.

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BRUSILOFF CAPTURED 358,600 JUNE 4-AUG. 12; FRESH GAINS IN GALICIA, IN CARPATHIANS

WILL NOT OVERLOOK MURDER OF FRYATT

**Britain Will Make Germany
Atone for Gross Crime,
Says Asquith**

ALLIES CONSULTING REGARDING COURSE

London, Aug. 16.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Asquith said the government was determined that "this country will not tolerate a resumption of diplomatic relations with Germany after the war 'until reparation has been made for the murder of Capt. Fryatt."

"Some of our allies," continued the Prime Minister, "have suffered from brutalities even more gross. We are in consultation with them as to what conditions should be expected in the terms of peace to secure reparation that will satisfy justice."

A member had asked if the government was "prepared to make a statement that Kaiser Wilhelm is wanted for wilful murder in this case." No answer was returned to this.

DESCRIBES ITALIAN CAMPAIGN IN CLOUDS

**Northcliffe Writes of Fighting
at Great Altitudes; Aus-
trian Prisoners**

London, Aug. 16.—Lord Northcliffe sends the following dispatch dated: "On the Carso Front, Aug. 15.—This morning I am writing in brilliant sunshine and several degrees of frost on the Carso front. It is not usually realized that the Italian front is nearly 500 miles long. In the parched stone wilderness around Gorizia, the chief enemy of the fighting man is thirst. The chief enemy on the Carso front is frost. In discussing the peculiarities of hill fighting as contrasted with the fighting on the road to Trieste, the king of Italy, who has a fine sense of words and who has spoken English from childhood, said:

"Picture to yourself my men 9,000 feet up in the clouds for seven months in deep snow, so close to the Austrians that at some points the men can see their enemy's eyes through the observation holes. Imagine the difficulties of such a life, with continual sniping and bomb-throwing."

"King Victor Emmanuel's grim picture of war was in such strong contrast to the tropical fighting around Gorizia that I asked General Cadorna for permission to come and see the fighting in the clouds. From time to time illustrated newspapers have published photographs of great cannon carried up in these Dolomite Alps, but I confess to having never realized what it meant."

Use Cables.

"Here food for men and food for guns go first by giddy, zigzag roads, especially built by the Italians for this war. When these have reached their utmost possible height, there comes a whole series of 'wireways,' as the Italian soldiers call them. Steel cables, slung from hill to hill and from ridge to ridge, span yawning depths and reach almost vertically into the clouds. Up these cables go guns and food, as well as timber for the huts in which the men live, and materials for entrenchments. Down these come the wounded.

"Man is not only fighting man at these heights, but both Italians and Austrians have been fighting nature in some of her fiercest aspects. Gales and snowstorms are excelled in horror by avalanches. Quite lately the melting snow revealed the frozen bodies, looking horribly lifelike, of a whole platoon swept away nearly a year ago."

Little Illness.

"While there have been heavy casualties on both sides from sniping, bombing, mountain and machine guns and heavy artillery, there has been little sickness among the Italians. The men know that a doctor's visits are practically impossible, therefore they follow the advice of their officers. King Victor Emmanuel, whose life has been

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Figures of Haul Made by Russians; Are Advancing in Zlota Lipa-Dniester Region; Two Towns in Bystritsa Region Occupied; In Carpathians Enemy is Retiring West; Series of Heights Taken

Petrograd, Aug. 16.—Between June 4, when the Russian offensive was inaugurated, and Aug. 12, Gen. Brusiloff's forces captured more than 358,600 men, the war office announced to-day. Great numbers of guns also were captured, says the report, which gives the following figures: Officers captured, 7,787; men captured, 350,845; cannon, 405; machine guns, 1,326; mine-throwers and bomb-throwers, 33; powder carts, 292.

Russian troops have captured a series of heights to the west of Vorodkhta and Ardsemoy, in the Carpathians. In the Vorodkhta and Delatyn regions the Austrians are retiring to the west.

WHAT JAPANESE ARE DOING FOR RUSSIA

Providing Guns, Rifles, Munitions and Clothing; Russians Direct Own Artillery

Paris, Aug. 16.—The extent to which Japan is clothing, shoeing, arming and munitioning the Russian army was forcibly presented to a military observer who has just returned from a trip along the Russian front.

"I was astonished," he said, "to find great numbers of Russian soldiers clothed from head to foot in uniforms made in Japan, not only the tunics and trousers, but even the leggings. They carried on their shoulders Japanese rifles. Their cartridge belts were fitted with cartridges made in Japan. Their leather belts and buckles were from Japan. And the stout hobnail shoes they were wearing were from shoes gathered in Korea and made into shoes in Japan. So that there you see a Russian soldier in Japanese clothes, Japanese shoes, with a Japanese rifle, Japanese ammunition and Japanese accoutrements."

"How did these supplies get from Japan to the Russian front?" the observer was asked.

Via Trans-Siberian Railway.

"It was noted," said he, "that about the only vital point where the Germans had not been able to send their submarines was in the waters of the East China Sea, the Strait of Korea and the Sea of Japan. These are the waters separating Japan from Russia and the Asiatic mainland, and the routes through them, commercial and military, are open and without menace."

"What sorts of arms and munitions is Russia getting from Japan?" he was asked.

"All sorts," was the reply, "from the service rifle and small field pieces up to the big 12-inch guns."

"It is said that French and Japanese officers now are furnishing the expert direction of the Russian artillery fire, which has made it so effective. Did you see any of these officers?"

Direct Own Fire.

"No, and the report is not correct," said the observer. "The Russian artillery officers are directing their own fire and are getting splendid results. The only Japanese and French officers are those temporarily assigned to explain the workings of a new piece, just as any expert is sent along to explain any complicated piece of machinery."

"Japanese experts accompanied the big 12-inch Japanese guns, not to manoeuvre them in action, but to explain how they were to be manoeuvred. That is the extent of their help, and that Russians should get full credit for what they have accomplished in operating their artillery. No, the Japanese have done remarkably well in arming, clothing and munitioning the Russians, but they have not had a chance to do the fighting."

BLACKLIST ANNOYS REP. BENNETT, N. YORK

Washington, Aug. 16.—Criminal prosecution of steamship companies and officials who refuse American cargoes was urged to-day by Representative Bennett, of New York, before the House commercial committee, as a retaliation against the British blacklist. Chairman Adamson and other committee members expressed doubt that the Bennett bill would remedy the situation.

The text of the statement follows: "On the river Zlota Lipa, in the region south of Brzezany, our troops occupied at some places the western bank of the river. The enemy, having resumed his counter-attacks, is checking our further advance."

"In the region between the Zlota Lipa and the Dniester our troops are fighting their way forward. The enemy here also is making a desperate resistance."

Towns Occupied.

"On the river Bystritsa we have occupied Solotvina and Griava, south-west of Solotvina."

"In the regions of Delatyn and Vorodkhta, the enemy, owing to our pressure, is retiring to the west. Our troops have captured a series of heights west of Vorodkhta and Ardsemoy. In the direction of the Kiri-limba region, at Capul mountain, attempts by the enemy to resume the offensive were frustrated by our fire."

Great Haul.

"According to final reports received, the total captures by the troops of General Brusiloff during the operations from June 4 to August 12, in which period the fortified lines of the Austro-Germans stretching from the River Pripiet to the Rumanian frontier, were taken, were as follows:

The numbers of officers and men, including combatants and non-combatants, taken prisoner, and cannon and machine guns taken by the troops of General Kaidel were, 2,384 officers and 197,225 men, 147 guns, 459 machine guns and 146 bomb and mine-throwers; by General Letichitsky, 2,139 officers, 100,588 men, 137 cannon, 424 machine guns, 44 bomb and mine-throwers and 35 powder carts; by General Sakharoff, 1,967 officers, 87,248 men, 76 guns, 232 machine guns, 119 bomb and mine-throwers and 128 powder carts; by General Scherbatchoff, 1,267 officers, 55,749 men, 55 guns and 21 machine guns, 29 bomb and mine-throwers and 129 powder carts.

"Thus the totals captured were 7,787 officers, 350,845 men, 405 guns, 1,326 machine guns, 423 mine and bomb throwers and 292 powder carts."

"In addition there were taken a large number of rifles, 30 varieties of small gauge railways, telegraph materials and several depots of ammunition and engineering materials."

German Claim.

"Berlin, Aug. 16.—German troops have won a success in the Carpathian region, according to a war office announcement to-day, capturing the Starawpizna heights, north of Capul. North of the Dniester, in Galicia, says the statement, the Russians attacked only weakly and were repulsed. The announcement says:

"On the eastern front from the sea to the region north of the Dniester there were no incidents of importance. Detachments of the Polish Legion made a short and successful advance in the region of Huleviche. German detachments broke up Russian advanced posts east of Kiselina and brought back as prisoners one officer and 63 men."

"North of the Dniester the Russians, after their sanguinary defeat on August 14, merely delivered local attacks with weak forces without result."

"In the Carpathians our troops took possession of the Starawpizna height, to the north of Capul."

VOTES OF B. C. MEN AT CAMP HUGHES

Camp Hughes, Man., Aug. 16.—All former residents of British Columbia have been requested to register their names at their battalion orderly rooms in connection with the British Columbia general election. Captain W. J. Cox, 143rd Battalion, B. C. Battalion, has been accredited for the purpose of making any necessary preparations for the taking of votes of the British Columbia soldiers, and the officers commanding units have been asked to see that he gets all necessary assistance required in his work.

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JABLONITZA NOW IS HELD BY RUSSIANS

Points Near There In Carpathians Also Taken; Progress Elsewhere

Petrograd, Aug. 16.—The following official statement was issued last night: "Our troops continue the crossing of the Carpathians under enemy fire, which at many points hampers the construction of bridges. Heavy artillery and machine gun fire is being directed against our works. In this sector we captured 7 officers, 247 men and 3 machine guns.

"In the Carpathian woods, at the source of the Pruth, the enemy, under pressure, evacuated Jablonitza, which we occupied. South of this point we re-occupied Verkhovna and Ardelluf, on the Pruth, taking 23 officers and 1,000 men prisoners. Our offensive continues."

Vienna, Aug. 16.—The following official statement was issued last evening: "South of Tartaroff, near Verkhovna, our battalions were attacked by superior Russian forces, who re-occupied their positions.

"At the Tartar pass, near Stanislaw, and south of Jezupot (between Hales and Stanislaw), Gen. Koevess repulsed an advance. West of Monasterzyska during the whole day the enemy stormed our front, at some points six successive times in mass formation, but he was repulsed everywhere with heavy losses."

GERMANY HAS BROKEN FAITH WITH STATES

Has Sunk Four British and Three Neutral Ships Without Warning

London, Aug. 16.—Baron Sydenham inquired in the House of Lords yesterday whether the government considered that command of German submarines had adhered to the declaration made to the American government in May in regard to sinking vessels without warning, and whether Austrian submarines were bound by the same conditions.

The Marquis of Crewe, lord president of the council, replied that the government's information was that, since the understanding had been given to the American government, four British and three neutral ships had been sunk without warning by submarines, all almost certainly German submarines. Another neutral ship had been attacked by torpedo without warning. In the cases of the seven vessels sunk, at least 40 lives had been lost.

The marquis said it was impossible to avoid the definite conclusion that in the seven cases there had been clear violation of the understanding given by the German government.

KING GEORGE SAW HIS ARMY AT FRONT

His Majesty Visited Battlefields; No Formal Review as Last Year

With the British Army in France, Aug. 15, via London, Aug. 16.—King George, after being at the front for a week, left yesterday for England, and his departure was the first information of the majority of the troops had of his presence. As a matter of fact, the visit was kept a secret, and there was no display or big review as on the occasion of his visit last fall. The king simply went about, seeing all sections of the army at work and the fields it had won. The flutter of a bit of bunting bearing the royal coat of arms as a motor car sped along the roads in clouds of dust caused motor truck drivers and passing battalions to start and look around, exclaiming "The king."

The Prince of Wales was with the king all the time.

Victory Must Come.

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"I realize not only the splendid work in immediate touch with the enemy," says the general order, "but also the vast organizations behind the fighting line, honorable alike to the genius of their initiators and to the hearts and hands of the workers. Everywhere is proof that all men and women are playing their part, and I rejoice to think that their noble efforts are being heartily seconded by all classes at home."

After an allusion to the happy relations between the entente armies and the populations where they are quartered, King George concludes his message as follows:

"Do not think that I and your fellow countrymen forget the heavy sacrifices the armies have made and the bravery and endurance they have displayed during the two years of bitter conflict. These sacrifices, however, have not been vain. The arms of the allies will never be laid down until our cause has triumphed. I return home more than ever proud of you. May God guide you to victory."

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MAULED BY GRIZZLY IN YELLOWSTONE PARK

Cody, Wyo., Aug. 16.—Ned Frost, a guide and Ed Jones, a cook, were brought here during the night suffering from serious injuries received in a battle with a large female grizzly bear near the Lake hotel in Yellowstone park Monday night. According to their story, Jones caught the bear raiding the commissary and attempted to frighten it away. The animal was mauling Jones when Frost came to the rescue. Both were badly clawed before the animal was frightened away by approaching tourists. The injured men were brought here on a two-day overland trip. Both will recover, say physicians.

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BREWSTER SPOKE IN SOUTH OKANAGAN

He and Macdonald Heard at Westbank, Peachland, Summerland, Rutland, Kelowna

Kelowna, Aug. 9.—Two busy days were spent in South Okanagan riding by Mr. Brewster and Mr. Macdonald, in furtherance of the candidature of Leslie V. Rogers. This is a new constituency, cut out of the old Okanagan constituency, and both candidates are new men in politics.

Five meetings were held in the riding, at Westbank, Peachland and Summerland, on the west side of the lake, and at Rutland and Kelowna, on the east side. Just as with the farmer, the season is one when the fruit-grower is so busy that every hour is valuable and he is not attending public meetings. Nevertheless, all the five gatherings were well attended, and the closing meeting here saw 600 people gather in the opera house. The evening meetings usually are prolonged, the audiences being unwilling to go until the speakers have been heard very fully on all points.

Even in a couple of places which have been looked upon as Conservative centres the crowded meetings showed how general the feeling against the government is. The interest displayed was keen and unaffected, testifying to a deep-seated determination to end Bowser rule on Sept. 14.

For the Liberals.

A month's leave has been granted to a number of the men now in camp at Vernon in order to give needed help in the orchards. From several of these met by the Times correspondent not only in this riding but at other points, and from officers as well, it is learned that the feeling amongst the soldiers is very strongly in favor of the Liberal candidates. Should the vote of the soldiers show majorities for government candidates, these men said, it will be plain to every man in khaki that their ballots have been tampered with, and the government will have to account to them for it.

Were it not for the application of water this beautiful country would be an arid waste. Irrigation is an absolute necessity, and the change wrought by laying it on to the soil is plainly visible in the green and gold of foliage or grain as contrasted with the bleak and sun-baked fields and hillsides which have not yet been brought under cultivation.

It is no surprise, then, to find that a most pressing local issue is the one of irrigation. This has become more pressing this year as a result of the financial embarrassment of the companies which have been supplying the water for irrigation purposes, and the growers are confronted with a possibility of great loss next season.

Two Water Companies.

Chief of the land and fruit companies operating here is the Kelowna Land & Fruit Company, Ltd., which has two irrigation companies—the Canyon Creek Irrigation Co. and the South Kelowna Irrigation Company. For various reasons the financial situation of the two water companies has become the reverse of that of the K. L. O., with the result that the S. K. I. is in liquidation and the C. C. I. is on the verge of it.

Unless the latter is enabled to make arrangements which at present do not seem possible, the position of the growers will be serious indeed. Active steps are being taken by the orchardists, chief among those in the movement being John Reekie and Mr. Spencer, to provide against this. It is likely that advantage will be taken of powers under the Water Act to form a water municipality, administered by the people receiving the benefit, with the cost of supplying water assessed against all the lands possible of benefit. As the provincial government would have to assist in some way, the people of Kelowna city and the growers living in the valleys were anxious to have the advantage of Mr. Brewster's advice, and so he was asked to receive several deputations at all points visited in the Okanagan on this point.

A Duty.

It was recognized that the future premier could not give pledges on the points he was consulted on, but the meeting was very anxious to have from him some assurance that the policy of his government would be such as to maintain the prosperity and fertility of the district. Mr. Brewster, on each occasion, has stated that he is not making pre-election promises, and that in this problem many details have to be carefully considered before any problem can be evolved, but he had no hesitation in stating the principle that in matters of irrigation the government must stand behind the supply of water; that no government would be doing its duty which allowed these orchards to die for lack of water.

Not only is next season's water supply for the fields and orchards in doubt, but there is a chance of there being none for domestic use in the coming winter. The C. C. I. domestic service got frozen last winter and in the spring repairs were undertaken. The company's financial difficulties have interfered with these, and if the work is not completed before winter the whole service will be interrupted by frost until spring returns. There are some 3,100 acres which would be benefited by these irrigation works if all were under cultivation, in addition to all the domestic services. This latter costs the rancher about one dollar a week, on a scale of charges for kitchen, bath, stables, barn, outside stand-pipes and lawn watering during certain months.

Other Side of Lake.

On the other side of the lake the irrigation works and fumes are for the most part owned by an irrigation company, Summerland has purchased the rights from the company, but the other districts continue as they were. The wooden fumes are getting old, the company is not disposed to repair or re-

BREWSTER SPOKE IN SOUTH OKANAGAN

He and Macdonald Heard at Westbank, Peachland, Summerland, Rutland, Kelowna

Kelowna, Aug. 9.—Two busy days were spent in South Okanagan riding by Mr. Brewster and Mr. Macdonald, in furtherance of the candidature of Leslie V. Rogers. This is a new constituency, cut out of the old Okanagan constituency, and both candidates are new men in politics.

Five meetings were held in the riding, at Westbank, Peachland and Summerland, on the west side of the lake, and at Rutland and Kelowna, on the east side. Just as with the farmer, the season is one when the fruit-grower is so busy that every hour is valuable and he is not attending public meetings. Nevertheless, all the five gatherings were well attended, and the closing meeting here saw 600 people gather in the opera house. The evening meetings usually are prolonged, the audiences being unwilling to go until the speakers have been heard very fully on all points.

Even in a couple of places which have been looked upon as Conservative centres the crowded meetings showed how general the feeling against the government is. The interest displayed was keen and unaffected, testifying to a deep-seated determination to end Bowser rule on Sept. 14.

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THREE-YEAR PLAN FOR NAVY OF U. S.

Decision of Congress Indicates Preparedness Agitation Has Made Some Headway

Washington, Aug. 16.—Navy officers virtually had before them to-day the task of carrying out the largest programme for building warships ever adopted with a single appropriation by any nation.

Although technically not completed, the naval bill, carrying \$315,866,600, had been approved in its main provisions by congress, and was in the hands of a conference committee only to settle minor differences between the House and Senate on navy yard appropriations.

Anticipating speedy disposition of the remaining questions, the navy department already had begun plans for putting into effect provisions of the big building policy and increased personnel features approved yesterday by the House. The Senate's building programme was ratified by a vote of 23 to 51, and the personnel increase by a viva voce vote. Senate increases in appropriations for navy yards were disagreed to and it was voted to send the bill back to conference for determination of these points.

Indications to-day were that the conference would reach an early agreement on the questions still in dispute, and that the bill would be laid before President Wilson for his approval in a few days.

Increases written into the bill by the Senate and approved by the House provide for the construction of 157 warships within the next three years, and an enlisted strength of 74,700 men.

Navy officials, including Secretary Daniels, are greatly pleased with the bill. In a statement the secretary characterized it as a model of its kind. He declared also that the building authorizations were the greatest ever passed in any country, and would place the United States second among the world's navies.

SUICIDE OF A MINER.

Fernie, Aug. 16.—A miner named Ewing Livingstone committed suicide at Cow Creek last night by cutting his throat. Chief Constable Welby was notified at once and the body was brought to Fernie. Livingstone leaves a wife and children in Calgary.

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AUSTRIAN VERSION OF RAIDS BY AIRMEN

Berlin, Aug. 15.—Further operations of Austrian airmen in bombarding positions behind the Italian front in the Isonzo region are recorded in an Austro-Hungarian admiralty statement to-day as follows:

"On the night of August 13-14 a naval aeroplane squadron bombarded most successfully the railroad station at Ronchi and military objects and positions in Cinto-Vermegliano, Selz and San Canziano, and a hostile battery at the mouth of the Isonzo. Many excellent hits were obtained. All the aeroplanes returned unharmed, in spite of the most violent shelling."

PRES. WILSON AND U. S. RY. SITUATION

Washington, Aug. 16.—President Wilson decided to-day to postpone further conference with the representatives of the railways and employees on the threatened railroad strike until to-morrow, when he will receive the general committee of 640 workmen in the East Room of the White House. In the meantime the committee of managers here and the general committee of employees will meet to discuss tentative plans now before them.



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BREWSTER EXPOSES A BOWSER STATEMENT

Liberal Candidate in Nelson Did Not Send Alleged Telegram; Trail Meeting

Trail, Aug. 16.—The Liberal leader came over from Grand Forks yesterday afternoon. At Rossland station he was met by a large crowd of Trail and Rossland Liberals and warmly welcomed back to a district where he is no stranger. Escorted by several cars, the leader and his traveling companions were motored here. With Mr. Brewster and Mr. Macdonald there were Michael Sullivan, the Liberal candidate in Trail; Mayor Wilson, the Liberal candidate in Rossland; J. E. W. Thompson, the Liberal candidate in Grand Forks; and Dr. J. D. Maclean, the Liberal candidate in Greenwood. On arrival in this city they were met by another large group of Trail voters.

The meeting was held in the Trail Fruit Growers' building, a large arena with side galleries. The time of the meeting fitted in with the smelter shifts and enabled a large proportion of the men to hear the speakers. The platform, which had been erected in the centre of the ring, was gay with some of the garden flowers which grow so luxuriantly here, set about in vases. The Trail Citizens' band serenaded the visitors at their hotel during dinner and afterwards entertained the audience at the show building, until the meeting opened.

Nearly 500. Frank Cummins was chairman, and in all close to 500 people heard the speakers.

When Mr. Bowser spoke here he made the claim that the opposition had discovered nothing which the government could be condemned for, but Mr. Macdonald furnished last night's audience with facts which disproved the premier's claim, going into the various items of investigation carried on by the opposition and the results and showing waste of public money. Mr. Macdonald also dealt with finances, the state of the public debt, the Vancouver charges and the writ.

It was time, Mr. Macdonald said, that Mr. Bowser was taught that he could not play fast and loose with the statutes of the province and its public moneys at will.

Out of Whole Cloth.

The leader quoted from the Nelson News a statement by the premier that so anxious was A. M. Johnson, Liberal candidate for Nelson, to have the House put out of business that he had wired to the speaker that the Liberals must force dissolution if they expected to win in the province.

"Just let me say," continued Mr. Brewster, "that to my knowledge Mr. Johnson never sent me a telegram in his life until last week, when he was arranging for meetings."

"The statement of the premier is absolutely made out of whole cloth. It reminds me of the forged telegram. Perhaps Mr. Bowser, seeing he is getting back to the telegram business, can tell us about that forged telegram used in the Dominion election of 1908. I intend to ask him about it some day."

Speaking of the writ, Mr. Brewster made it plain that it does not tie anything up, but will prevent affairs being tied up if Mr. Bowser's doubt as to the life of the legislature proves correct.

The audience roared applause when Mr. Brewster defied the premier to show that either he, Mr. Macdonald or the Liberal party had had anything to do with plugging, and this was repeated when he declared that the Liberals would yet get the men higher up.

As to falsehoods. It was indicated clearly by Mr. Brewster that there will be a crop of libel suits as soon as the election is over, arising out of the deliberate and malicious lying that is going on in this matter on the part of the hired Bowser press.

Mr. Sullivan referred to the various misrepresentations uttered by Mr. Bowser when he spoke here.

James H. Schofield, the Bowser candidate, was not at the meeting, having been called away. He was represented, however, in a considerable number by Charles Goodwin, the Socialist candidate. There is more than a suspicion that the tactics of the Rossland by-election are being repeated here by the introduction of a third candidate in the hope of allowing the Bowser man to slip in between the two sections of the opposition. Mr. Goodwin's address was a typical harangue of demagogic character, calling for action on class lines while denouncing classes, and on the whole likely to do Mr. Schofield more harm than good. He adopted the Bowser attitude towards Mr. Macdonald and the Vancouver by-election wholeheartedly.

NO TEXTILE MATERIAL TO WAR PRISONERS

Ottawa, Aug. 16.—The post office department has issued the following statement to the public:

"The British authorities advise that parcels for prisoners of war in Germany must not be wrapped in linen, calico, canvas, or any other textile material."

The obvious purpose of this order is to prevent any textile material finding its way to the Germans for explosive uses.

SPANISH STEAMSHIP SUNK BY GERMANS

Bilbao, Aug. 16.—The Spanish steamship Paganarri was sunk by a German submarine. The crew was saved. The Paganarri was a vessel of 3,287 tons gross. She was built in 1898 and was owned in Bilbao.

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Aug. 16.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Cpl. J. H. Batters, Montreal; Cpl. R. W. Hardy, Calgary; Cpl. J. W. Lavers, Halifax; Cpl. Marshall Longard, Tontitown, N. S.; Pte. T. R. Farlock, Portland, Ore.; Pte. H. W. Button, England; Pte. A. W. Aldridge, England; Pte. B. Roberts, Scotland; Pte. J. E. Stephenson, England; Pte. Thos. Vance, Belleville, Ont.

Died of wounds—Sgt. Stanley Hicks, England.

Died—Capt. Finlay D. Fraser, Brantford; Pte. James Barnhill, Ireland.

Previously reported missing; now killed in action—Pte. W. B. Ellis, England.

Missing—Cpl. Wm. Bramford, Toronto.

Previously reported seriously ill; now died of wounds—Pte. H. K. Wheatley, Strassburg, Sask.

Dangerously ill—Pte. R. S. McCracken, Scotland.

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ITS GOLDEN LEGEND.

"More has been done in five years for Victoria by the Conservative administration than has been done by any and all combined of the administrations that were in power before 1911."—Colonist.

In elaborating this imposing claim our contemporary makes special reference to "one of the greatest dry-docks in the world" at Esquimalt, the terminals on the Songhees Reserve, a ferry slip and a few other little details of which we used to hear so much but which have not yet made an appearance. It omits the Seymour Narrows bridge, but this, we know, is an oversight. On the whole, it is much more modest in its pretensions than it was during the campaign of 1912. On March 3 in that year it announced that "before the harbor works are completed Victoria will have connection with the Canadian Pacific, the Canadian Northern, the Grand Trunk Pacific, the Great Northern, the proposed Bute Inlet Railway, and the whole northern country by way of two lines to Hardy Bay." A day or two later it "ventured to predict" that in a year's time there would be "800 miles of completed railway on Vancouver Island," including of course the Mackenzie & Mann line to Barkley Sound, the right-of-way of which now lies beneath a healthy young forest.

But, we are moved to inquire, what has become of the new dry-dock which our contemporary now so vividly visualizes? Two or three years ago we were informed every Sunday morning that tenders had been invited and the contract was about to be awarded. A detailed description of the dock appeared with equal frequency. Parliament voted \$250,000 for a commencement and revoked the amount every year, while no work was done. Perhaps Mr. Rogers on the eve of the federal election will announce for the ninety-ninth time that work is about to start. And those terminals on the reserve, promised to us in a thrilling front-page announcement with plans and Sir Richard's picture four years ago—how are they getting along? Really, we must gently demur to our contemporary's claim of the transformation of the Songhees Reserve brought about by the partnership of Mackenzie & Mann with the two Conservative administrations, although we would not quarrel with the inclusion in its triumphal roster of the handsome trestle across Selkirk Water, which for some reason or other is also omitted.

There is another omission from the morning paper's statement. It is that during the last five years Victoria has suffered the worst economic depression in its history; that during the winter of 1913-14—before the war broke out—there were more than four thousand men clamoring for work at employment agencies which had to be opened; that there was widespread want and suffering and that the provincial government had to inaugurate relief operations on the reserve. Nothing like that occurred during the entire fifteen years Sir Wilfrid Laurier was in power at Ottawa. Then everybody was prosperous.

VOTING IN ENGLAND.

F. W. Welsh, whose part in activities in connection with a soap contract for the Vancouver School Board gained for him the suggestive sobriquet "Soapy," is trying hard to justify his selection by Premier Bowser as a fitting representative of the machine in the polling of the soldiers' votes at the different camps in England. His work was so coarse that Sir Richard McBride had to order him out of bounds. The agent-general must have felt that this fine specimen of Bowserian political culture was compromising the reputation of the province as well as his own.

It takes a good many reverses, how-

ever, to suppress machine politicians of the Welsh type. They are not at all sensitive. Rebukes which would crush anybody with a sense of propriety and good taste are lost upon them. So Welsh, according to cable advices, is continuing his tactics at long range, sending circulars to his aides at the camps and otherwise "assisting in taking the soldiers' votes." That, of course, is what he was commissioned to do when Mr. Bowser appointed him in the midst of an inquiry in which he practically was on trial and before a verdict had been rendered. His appointment was one of the most brazenly indecent things Bowserism yet has done, which is saying a great deal.

In our dispatch yesterday it was observed that while the industrious Mr. Welsh is allowed to send circulars and campaign literature to the soldiers, the Liberals are not permitted even to furnish them with a list of the candidates of their party. Thus the machine is playing the game with loaded dice as usual. As Mr. Bowser observed some time ago, he had "something up his sleeve for Mr. Brewster." Imagine an election in which the politics of the candidates may not be known to the voters! Still it might have been worse; indeed according to the original intention it certainly would have been, for the first arrangement was for the taking of the vote on August 4, which in view of the difference of time between here and London would have meant that the soldiers had voted before the candidates were nominated. A little discrepancy of that kind would not have disturbed the machine but for the fact that it might have involved the subsequent upsetting of the election.

THE ALBERT RIDGE.

The Albert Ridge which is now in British possession constituted the one natural obstacle to the advance of Haig's army towards Bapaume. It was most fortuitously fortified by the enemy, whose higher command gave instructions that it was to be held at all costs. So important did the Germans regard the position that they brought their crack corps from the Verdun sector to hold it. Notwithstanding the fiercest opposition the British troops have gained practically the entire ridge and are now along the downward slope with a relatively clear space between them and Bapaume. In the very nature of things their progress along the ridge had to be slow. They had to possess themselves of villages and woods which are easily fortified and which for that reason are always scenes of the most stubborn fighting.

The Albert ridge begins near Thiepval on the edge of the valley of the Ancre and extends in rather broken outline eastward through Pozieres and north of Bazentin and Longueval to the neighborhood of Combles. The highest point is Hill 160, just north of Pozieres, which is a little more than five hundred feet in height. At this point the British are about 130 feet higher than they were when they started from their old-line trenches northeast of Albert, where the ground is marked on the French staff maps by the figures 121, West of Pozieres and north of Thiepval the ridge is 151 metres high, or about 27 feet lower than near Pozieres. East of Pozieres and north of Bazentin, where it is situated the now famous "High Wood," the elevation is 153 metres, or only 15 feet less than at the highest point. Going east the ridge slopes down slightly about Longueval, where it is only 140 metres high, fully 60 feet lower than north of Pozieres, but it rises again farther west to 154 metres just north of Combles.

As usual, Hilaire Belloc supplies the best description of the actual appearance of the country in a recent number of "Land and Water," in which he writes of the ridge:

"When I say ridge I do not of course mean anything sharp and steep. It is only a succession of swells of land, and the actual summits are so rounded and slight they can with difficulty be discovered. But from below and as one comes up from Albert and from the Somme the whole of these flatish lumps in series form a sky line. The highest point of all the countryside is, I think, just beyond Pozieres on the Albert-Bapaume road (Hill 160). At any rate, walking along the road in the old days of peace one saw all the countryside to the north and east from that hilltop. But the ridge as you go on eastward is only a few feet less high. The wood of Fourreaux, which the British have christened 'High Wood,' for instance, is only 15 or 16 feet lower than the point upon the high road."

The Leipzig redoubt near Thiepval still holds out, but the British advance along the ridge towards Courcellette and Martinpuich east of it should ensure its evacuation or capture. The time is near, therefore, when we shall hear news of another important smash which should carry the British forces well towards Bapaume; their immediate objective. This in turn would endanger the German front on a line of thirty miles, compelling the enemy to give up a considerable area between Arras and the Ancre and opening the way for an advance upon Cambrai, a vital junction on the German main lines of communication.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Premier Bowser's Vancouver election scandal cat again made its escape from the bag the other day. Several times during the inquiry here it managed to get out through the carelessness of those who had it in custody, but always after doing considerable damage it was recaptured. The Vancouver Province is responsible for its escape this time. A short time ago it published an interesting account of the trials and tribulations of the much-wanted John L. Scott, in the course of which the following telegram came to light:

"Seattle, July 27.
"John L. Sullivan,
"Hotel Irving, Vancouver, B. C.
"Send money at once. Scott sore and threatens to return and expose whole election scandal. Clancy out of city. What shall I do? Letter following."
"VANDERVEER."

Scott, as everybody knows, is embroiled in the toils of Uncle Sam's immigration department at the instance of a number of Vancouver Liberals who are anxious to have him deported to Canada. Vanderveer is Scott's lawyer and a friend of John L. Sullivan. Sullivan is the gentleman with the explosive cognomen who shepherded the fall birds who gave evidence at the inquiry. He had visited the Premier at Kamloops a month before the election and a few days before polling day made a mysterious trip to Seattle.

Now Mr. Bowser did not want John L. Scott to return to Canada. He announced through his press in glaring headlines during the inquiry that if Scott came here he would be prosecuted. At the same time he gave immunity to "Kelly" and the other riff-raff who perjured themselves for the sacred Bowserian cause. That telegram from Vanderveer to "Dynamite Jack," a short time ago, therefore, must have been very disturbing. According to the Province, Mr. Bowser saw a newspaper man friendly to him and suggested that he go to Seattle for a "newspaper story." It was arranged also that Sullivan, a friend of Vanderveer's, also should go, but not for a "newspaper story." That is not in "Dynamite's" line. Now comes the coincidence. Bail for Scott was immediate forthcoming and he was released from custody. He is "sore" no longer. His threat to return and "expose the whole election scandal" has been withdrawn. Vanderveer, his lawyer, can now rest calmly in his bed. So can "Dynamite Jack," who received the telegram. So can Mr. Clancy, who unhappily "was out of the city," and so can Mr. Bowser, who was more profoundly disturbed than any of them. Why should Scott's threat to Sullivan to return and expose the whole election scandal cause such a commotion in the inner circles of Bowserism? Why should the exposure not be welcomed by the upright Mr. Bowser? Why not, indeed?

German officers inform the world through press representatives that they are neither Huns nor any other class of barbarians, and in the same breath declare that the devastation they have carried into their neighbors' territory has made them determined to fight to the last to keep the war out of Germany. The only way in which the war can be kept off German soil is for Germany to capitulate on the terms of the allies. Incidentally, it was not the allies who first named the ravagers of Belgium and northern France Huns. It was their amiable Kaiser who described them as the descendants of Attila and who was so proud of his ancestry that he named his fourth son after the "Scourge of God." Even at that Attila was a gentleman and a scholar alongside the Prussian heel-clanking squarehead. He did not murder little children and he spared the churches.

With the trumped-up Baralong incident as an excuse, the Huns are going to make a big effort to kill a large number of non-combatants in England by means of Zeppelin raids. Evidently they are gathering for the purpose the largest airship fleet that has yet been employed. Reprisal, of course, is not their object. They still think they can terrorize the civil population of Britain into a frame of mind favorable to peace. The megilomaniac Hun is working in quicksand. The more furious his efforts the deeper he goes.

Germany's overgas trade has been cut off. What little she imports must be smuggled in. Yet some of the commodities she manages thus precariously to get hold of bring lower prices there than similar articles bring in British Columbia, though of the same origin. Germany is in a state of siege; British Columbia is not. Close your eyes and picture what would happen in this province if it were as closely besieged as Germany and Austria are.

According to the Calgary Herald, Captain Cox of the Bantams, who was appointed to supervise the taking of the soldiers' votes at the Canadian camps, says he is non-partisan. Of course he is. He must have been or Mr. Bowser would not have appointed him. The Premier abhors partisans for work of this kind, as his choice of F. W. Welsh in connection with the balloting in England showed.

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representatives in the Dominion House in the cause of Bowserism are very significant. At the same time it is altogether natural that Rogersism should rush to the assistance of Bowserism in distress. Could there be anything more appropriate than the spectacle of R. F. Green, M. P., on Mr. Bowser's platform or G. H. Barnard, M. P., on the platform of Harry Pooley? Blest be the tie that binds.

General John Hughes is said to be slated for a high command in France. General Sam Hughes is in England. General Garnet Hughes is in France. General James Hughes is in Canada. The rise of the Hughes family has been one of the most striking phenomena of the war. Truly, Canadians are a military race.

Allied and neutral opinion seems to be unanimous that there can be no assurance of permanent peace in the world while a Hohenzollern occupies a throne.

DESCRIBES ITALIAN CAMPAIGN IN CLOUDS

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passed almost entirely among the troops since Italy entered the war, told me, however, that despite the greatest care, occasional casualties from frost-bite are impossible to avoid.

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Assaulted Chinaman.—For chasing a Chinaman, and assaulting him on Rock Bay avenue, a boy named Ernest Gardner was fined \$6 in the city police court to-day. Two other boys with him escaped when T. C. Saunders attempted their arrest.

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He Ran Off With His Stenographer. But he did not get away. He was captured by his mother-in-law out at Deep Bay. And he had to take dictation for the rest of the day. Otherwise, however, he enjoyed himself, as you will, so be sure and go on Saturday next.

Gorge Park Smart Set—Amateur Night, Thursday. New sketch.

Will Ask Increase.—The teamsters in the service of the city, it is understood, intend to petition for a small increase in wages. The matter had reached the stage of a petition being lodged for consideration at the last council meeting, but was withdrawn in order that further signatures might be secured.

Rotary Luncheon.—The "Jameses" will entertain the Rotary Club at the luncheon at the Empress hotel on Thursday. The members are being divided according to their Christian names and the result is that Messrs. Rice, Adam, Beatty, Cameron, Fletcher, Griffith, Hunter, Patterson, Thompson and Drake will provide the programme this week.

"Elijah" at Metropolitan Church.—It is the intention of the choir of the Metropolitan Methodist church to give the oratorio "Elijah" in the fall. Rehearsals will commence on Wednesday evening, September 6, and every Wednesday thereafter. There will be vacancies for a few voices in all parts, and the singers who gave such valuable assistance in the performance of "The Messiah" will be made welcome.

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STRIKERS' SIDE OF CASE PRESENTED

Statement Made on Behalf of
Men Who Have Walked
Out

EIGHT-HOUR DAY IS
ONLY POINT INVOLVED

Declare Question of Higher
Wages Has Not Been
Raised

The following letter dealing with the strike at Esquimalt, which is signed by J. H. Carmichael, on behalf of the men's committee, has been handed to the Times:

An attempt has been made to convey to the minds of the public that the local shipyard men have taken advantage of the plight of one of the local ship-building firms to press home their demands for an eight-hour day, with the deliberate intention of holding up this action on the part of the men as being unpatriotic. May I encroach upon your valuable space in order to present the men's side of the question. I am sure that if the public have the opportunity of considering this side also, the foul slander on the character of the men will be rated at its true value.

In the first place the movement for an eight-hour day is by no means a new one, as any person following the daily papers know. This remark applies to local shops as well as to others. On the Pacific coast it is in force at the following centres, where the rates of wages given are also specified:

San Francisco, since 1907—Wages, 59½c. for repair work and a little over 53c. on new work. In outside districts, 62½c.

Seattle, since September, 1907—Wages, 56½c. for repair work and 50c. on new work. On and after January 1, 1917, the rates will be a little over 63c. and 56½c. respectively.

An agreement was reached between the masters and the men in Vancouver making a 50-hour week.

On July 1, 1916, the men submitted to the masters their demand for an eight-hour day in the form of a proposed agreement to take effect on August 1. The eight-hour day constituted the main point in the proposed agreement, no request for higher wages being made save in the case of the helpers, where a slight increase of a little over four cents was proposed.

As above stated it was suggested to the employers that this agreement should go into force on August 1 and continue for at least twelve months. This proposed agreement was to cover all works in the vicinity of Victoria. In dispatching the draft agreement to Messrs. Yarrow, the men added a sentence in the covering letter to the effect that they would complete a big job they were engaged on on the nine-hour day basis. Their idea in adding this was to make it clear to the firm in question that, even if granted the eight-hour day, the men would not demand that concession with regard to the job in question, not only because the government was interested in the work being carried out as soon as possible, but also because they wished "to play the game" and treat the firm fairly, as the firm had no doubt based its calculations on the nine-hour day. The men, by adding the sentence in question, did not intend in any manner to qualify their demand for an eight-hour day to start on August 1, and it was the flat refusal of the firm in question to concede the eight-hour day that caused the men to go out.

The sole reason the men have come out is that their request for an eight-hour day has been refused. The accident of Messrs. Yarrow being employed on the job mentioned above has nothing whatever to do with it. Instead of using this as a lever to enforce the granting of their demand, the men, as above explained, were perfectly willing to exclude the work in question.

As stated above, the question of higher wages is not raised, in fact if the men's request had been met, the great bulk of them would actually have been making \$3 a week less than they do now under the nine-hour day.

Into the ethics of the eight-hour day movement it is not necessary for me to enter. This can be read in any standard work upon the subject, my object in writing to you is simply to state in clear words the reason why the men are out, and to make it plain that their motives are the reverse of being unpatriotic, and in this I hope I have succeeded.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Colored Man Alleged to Have Sent
Threatening Letters to Young
Woman.

E. Whims, a colored resident of Salt Spring Island, was brought to the city this morning by Constable Fryer, after having been committed for trial by Ganges magistrates for sending threatening letters to a young woman of that place.

It seems that Whims wanted to marry the young woman and when she refused, he wrote threatening to murder her if she did not do so. He was committed for trial at the autumn assizes, but he has the option of taking speedy trial before the county court judge.

British Campaigners' Association.—The regular monthly meeting of the British Campaigners' Association has been postponed until the third Thursday in September.

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50352—My Bonnie, Bonnie Jean (Harry Lauder), Glen Lilson. Nancy (Harry Lauder), Glen Lilson.
50353—Kangaroo Hop, xylophone solo. Setting the Pace, one step, Judas Society Orchestra.
50354—Hilo March, Hawaiian instrumentalists. Medley of Hawaiian Airs, Hawaiian instrumentalists.
50355—Sybil Fox Trot, Judas Society Orchestra. Sybil Waits, Judas Society Orchestra.
50356—Annie Laurie, Christine Miller. Then You'll Remember Me, James Harrod.
50357—I Am a Roamer Bold, Arthur Middleton. Spring Morning, Julia Heinrich.
50358—Home to Our Mountains (Il Truvatore), Heinrich and Williamson. Praise Ye, Attila, Rappold, Jörn and Middleton.

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A "Midsummer Fair" was held in aid
of the Red Cross at Hope Bay, Pender
Island, on Friday, August 11. Mrs. Jas.
Auchterlone very generously gave the
use of her grounds and house for the
occasion. The work in connection with
the fair was taken up by members
and friends on Pender, South Pender
and Saturna Islands most enthusiastically,
without limit of time, labor or cash.

Various attractions were provided on
the grounds, including shooting gallery,
swinging the hammer, etc. There were
ice cream, fruit, flowers, superfluity
and cafe stalls, all of which were taste-
fully decorated. Provisions for the tea
were contributed on a lavish scale,
hams, chickens and sweet cakes of
every description being donated in pro-
fusion. T. Reade gave selections on
the pipes, which proved popular. Per-
haps the greatest attraction was the
Bantams' military band from Sidney.
This was the first occasion on which a
full band had performed on the island,
and gave great pleasure. Howard
Harris carried the members of the
band to and from Sidney in his launch
free of charge.

In the evening an entertainment was
given in the hall. A party of young
ladies contributed a sketch in charac-
ter of "Cranford." The dresses were
very quaintly picturesque. A group of
young ladies from South Pender, and
Saturna formed a pretty patriotic
tableau, during which Misses Trickey
and Ritchie sang suitable songs. The
music during the intervals was sup-
plied by the band.

At the close of the entertainment the
audience flocked down to the wharf,
where tea and refreshments were sold.
The band again gave selections and
also when on board the launch.

The proceeds amounted to a little
over \$200 net.

AT THE THEATRES

PANTAGES THEATRE.

Does anyone know anything about
"Walkin' the Dog"? There is going to
be a riot at the Pantages theatre on
Friday night when an ocular demon-
stration of this latest dance, which has
been the rage in the east for a year
and is now invading the social pres-
cincts of the west, will be given on the
stage under the direction of the man
who invented it, Shelton Brooks. Sev-
eral couples of the niftiest steppers
from among the colored population of
the city will do the dance led by Mr.
and Mrs. Clarence Bowen, Mr. Bowen
being the partner of Mr. Brooks in one
of the best comedy turns ever offered
at the house.

"Walkin' the Dog," be it known, is
the latest of the animal dances over
which the dance devotees of the entire
country have gone crazy. The song was
written by Brooks, who is also the
author of several other popular hits,
such as "Some of These Days," "All
Night Long," "If I Were a Bee and You
Were a Red, Red Rose," "Ruff John-
son's Harmony Band," and many others
with the characteristic touch of
southern melody music, and the dance
was perfected by himself and his wife.
The competition in which the local
amateur dancers are going to try their
hand is guaranteed absolutely a sure
cure for the blues.

The bill at the Pantages this week
is especially interesting. It has packed
the house at every performance and
Manager Rice is already convinced that
this week's attendance will come close
to being a record-breaker.

The featured offering of the bill is
the musical act of the Six Kirkham
Sisters, one of the prettiest of the new
variety of musical semi-recitals now so
popular in vaudeville. It is one of the
most finished and refined acts of its
kind to play in Victoria. It is immen-
sely popular.

The other featured act is "The Di-
vorce Question," a dramatic playlet.
Five artists are required for its pre-
sentation which is commended for the
splendid portrayal of the parts. The
motif for the sketch is the attitude of
the Catholic church toward the great
divorce problem and there is not a mo-
ment in the full 20 minutes that is not
filled with pathos and human pity for
the two children thrown into an un-
sympathetic world through a divorce.

Brooks and Bowen, two men, have a
blackface singing and dancing comedy
act. It is a plot. Freeman and Dun-
ham, two men and a pretty miss, pre-
sent a laugh-making sketch, "A Day in
Brighton," which is a hit. Black and
White, two girls, offer a novel and
popular acrobatic number. One can
not afford to miss an instalment of
"The Iron Clad" serial these days, for
it is coming to a close very rapidly.

OUTDORE.

Teacher—Now, boys, I want to see if
any of you can make a complete sen-
tence out of two words, both having the
same sound to the ear.
First boy—I can, Miss Smith.
Teacher—Very well, Robert. Let us
hear your sentence.
First boy—Write right.
Teacher—Very good.
Second boy—Say, Miss Smith, I can
beat that. I can make three words of
it—wright, write right.
Third boy (excitedly)—Hear this—
wright, write right—Ex-change.

"Did the doctor give you much en-
couragement?" asked Mrs. Dumson.
"Yes, indeed," answered Mr. Dumson.
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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Vic-
toria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Aug. 16—5 a. m.—The bar-
ometer remains low over the interior, ac-
companied by warm weather in Kooten-
ay, while in Northern B. C. showers
have occurred. The weather is fair and
cool with moderate northerly winds along
the coast extending southward to Cali-
fornia.

Forecasts.
For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday.
Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh
westerly winds, generally fair, stationary
or higher temperature.
Lower Mainland—Light to moderate
winds, generally fair, stationary or
higher temperature.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 29.94; temperature,
maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 51;
wind, 20 miles W.; weather, clear.
Vancouver—Barometer, 29.96; tempera-
ture, maximum yesterday, 66; minimum,
52; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy.
Entrance—Barometer, 29.78; tempera-
ture, maximum yesterday, 64; wind, 18
miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.78; tempera-
ture, maximum yesterday, 62; minimum,
50; wind, 6 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 29.88; tempera-
ture, maximum yesterday, 64; minimum,
50; calm; rain, 0.4; weather, fair.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.88; tem-
perature, maximum yesterday, 66; mini-
mum, 46; calm; rain, 30; weather, cloudy.

Tetson—Barometer, 29.86; temperature,
maximum yesterday, 56; minimum, 50;
wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.
Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.88; tem-
perature, maximum yesterday, 76; mini-
mum, 68; wind, 4 miles N. W.; weather,
cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.98; temperature,
maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 52;
wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, cloudy.
San Francisco—Barometer, 29.86; tem-
perature, maximum yesterday, 66; mini-
mum, 54; wind, 10 miles S. W.; weather,
cloudy.

Temperature.
Max. Min.
Prince George 74 .. 46
Nelson 74 .. 46
Penticton 74 .. 46
Cranbrook 74 .. 46
Nelson 80 .. 50
Grand Forks 84 .. 54
Calgary 76 .. 48
Edmonton 64 .. 48
Qu'Appelle 62 .. 48
Winnipeg 62 .. 48
Toronto 80 .. 50
Ottawa 78 .. 48
Montreal 76 .. 46
St. John 66 .. 46
Halifax 72 .. 46

Victoria Daily Weather.
Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5
p. m., Tuesday:
Temperature.
Highest 64
Lowest 46
Average 58
Minimum on grass 46
Maximum in sun 124
Bright sunshine, 11 hours 24 minutes.
General state of weather, clear.

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any way so long as there are any symp-
toms of acid indigestion:

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

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R. S. Ward, of Foremost, Alta., is at
the Dominion.

W. A. Wylie, of Kamloops, is at the
Strathcona hotel.

J. H. Lee, of Salt Spring Island, is
at the Dominion hotel.

Col. H. H. Dobbie, of Maple Bay, is
registered at the Dominion.

Geo. R. Locher, of Habana, Cuba, is a
guest at the Dominion hotel.

W. W. Craig, of Okanagan Falls, is
staying at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. John Cowie and Miss Cowie, of
Vancouver, are at the Dominion.

A. Munro and A. Seer, of Edmonton,
Alta., are at the Dominion hotel.

Mrs. A. H. Wright, of Westworth,
S. D., is at the Strathcona hotel.

Chas. Lonsdale, of Shawinigan Lake,
is staying at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Howell, of Calgary,
are guests at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ogden, of Everett,
are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

R. A. Millar and Mrs. Millar, of
Banff, Alta., are at the Dominion hotel.

Frank N. Adams and Mrs. Adams, of
St. Louis, are guests of the Dominion.

Mrs. S. M. Babbitt and Miss L. Ross,
of St. Maries, Ida., are at the Domini-
on.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Evans, of Grand
Prairie, are guests at the Empress
hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Hall, of
Boston, have arrived at the Empress
hotel.

Mrs. B. A. Mulhern and Miss M.
Johnson, of Vancouver, are at the Do-
minion.

Registered at the Empress hotel are
Sylvanus F. Levy and C. J. Silber, of
Chicago.

W. Pinner and Mrs. Pinner, of Cal-
gary, are new arrivals at the Domini-
on hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wood, of Cedar
Rapids, Iowa, are guests at the Strath-
cona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Biggs, of Kan-
sas City, have arrived at the Em-
press hotel.

Hon. E. L. Wetmore, former chief
justice of Saskatchewan, arrived in the
city yesterday.

Mrs. K. S. Moncton is down from
Duncan, and is registered at the
Strathcona hotel.

Miss E. Mahaffy, of Port Alberni, is
in the city and is registered at the
Strathcona hotel.

W. N. Lenfesty returned yesterday
from Seattle after a short holiday
visit to the Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Sinott, of
St. Joseph, Mo., arrived at the Em-
press hotel yesterday.

Mrs. Thomas R. White and Miss
White, of Elizabeth, N. J., are staying
at the Empress hotel.

Mrs. H. J. Lipsitt, of Port Ludlow,
and Mrs. H. B. Wood, of Dungeness,
are at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Tate, of Spring-
field, Ohio, are visitors in the city and
are at the Strathcona hotel.

Mrs. Thomas Brown and family and
Mrs. Dick Bowlsby, of Boat Harbor,
B. C., are at the Dominion hotel.

D. A. McKenzie, Mrs. McKenzie and
Miss Laura Anderson, of Sandon, are
registered at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Peacock, with
Miss Peacock, registered at the Em-
press hotel yesterday from Chicago.

The 6th Universities Company, with
headquarters at McGill University,
Montreal, is asking for more men to
reinforce the corps now at the front.
The type of men enlisted by the Uni-
versity units has been exceptionally
fine. Many of them have obtained
commissions and everywhere they have
gone they have done good service.

A party from Portland registered at
the Empress hotel include Mr. and
Mrs. E. J. Hall, Miss Lucile Evans,
Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Cudliffe, and Mr.
and Mrs. Leon H. Peters.

Guests at the Glenahill Inn include
Mr. and Mrs. H. Buchanan and daugh-
ter, of Edmonton; Mr. and Mrs. E.
Black, of Calgary; and Miss K. Martin
and Miss A. Temple, of Chicago.

Miss Davidson and Master G. A. C.
Cheeke, of Cobble Hill; Mrs. Hale and
Master I. M. Hale, of Deerholme, B. C.;
Mr. and Mrs. Wood and daughter and
H. Newmarsh, of Vancouver, are
guests at the James Bay hotel.

"That's a fine umbrella you carry,
isn't it?" "Yes." "Did you come by it
honestly?" "I haven't quite made it
out. It started to rain the other day
and I stepped into a doorway to wait
till it stopped. Then I saw a young fel-
low coming along with a nice large um-
brella, and I thought if he was going
as far as my house I would beg the
shelter of his camp. So I stepped out
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RECRUITING STATISTICS

Nearly 500 Enlistments in This Dis-
trict From July 15 to 31.

Recruiting statistics show this dis-
trict is doing well, better than Alberta,
where the people are busy at present
gathering in the crops. In eastern
Canada there has been a great falling
off in some of the districts. The fol-
lowing official list of results for July
gives an idea of what is being done:
M. D. No. 1 (London, Ont.)—July
1-15, 298; July 15-31, 225; total, 523.
M. D. No. 2 (Toronto, Ont.)—July
1-15, 1,244; July 15-31, 832; total, 2,076.
M. D. No. 3 (Kingston, Ont.)—July
1-15, 510; July 15-31, 589; total, 1,099.
M. D. No. 4 (Montreal, Que.)—July
1-15, 561; July 15-31, 498; total, 1,059.
M. D. No. 5 (Quebec, Que.)—July
1-15, 89; July 15-31, 37; total, 126.
M. D. No. 6 (Halifax, N. S.)—July
1-15, 172; July 15-31, 177; total, 349.
M. D. No. 10 (Winnipeg, Man.)—July
1-15, 704; July 15-31, 614; total, 1,318.
M. D. No. 11 (Victoria, B. C.)—July
1-15, 652; July 15-31, 485; total, 1,137.
M. D. No. 13 (Calgary, Alta.)—July
1-15, 559; July 15-31, 339; total, 898.

A CANADIAN "OVERSEAS."

July, 1916.

While the moonbeams softly glow
O'er battered trench and mound,
My thoughts go drifting outward
Across the ocean's bound.
To that far-off country
At the sunset's golden hour,
Beyond the maddened tumult
And crimson tide of war.

The maple leaf will crimson
Upon the mountain side,
But now the Belgian meadows
A deeper red are dyed,
Unharmful amid the greenwood
The timid deer may browse,
We seek a nobler quarry
Than deer or feathered grouse.

But in the midnight quiet,
When war's alarms are o'er,
I tread the woodland byways
I tread in days of yore.
I dream of snow-capped mountains,
And rivers white with foam;
I see the leaping salmon,
Or seek the cougar's home.

Oh, country of my childhood!
Oh, Canada the Fair!
The latest home of freedom,
And wealth that all may share;
No foe shall cross thy borders,
No flashing guns alarm,
While thy strong sons protect thee
From those that wish thee harm.

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SECOND SUPERFLUITIES RAFFLE

The first raffle for forty prizes was such a success, that the committee has decided to hold a second raffle. There will be

100 PRIZES

All the prizes have been donated to the Red Cross Society. All the expenses have been donated. Messrs. O'Connell, Ltd., of Government street, have kindly given the use of their shop window.

The price of 10c tickets is

The whole proceeds of the raffle, without deduction of any kind, will go to the Red Cross Funds.

Prize List

- 1.—Fine piece of Marble Statuary.
- 2.—Pair of Bartolozzi Engravings.
- 3.—Set of valuable old Engravings.
- 4.—Old English Inlaid Tea Caddy.
- 5.—Pair of old Chinese Blue Jars.
- 6.—Antique Chinese Blue Bowl.
- 7.—Antique Cameo Set in Rect. gold.
- 8.—Valuable Miniature mounted in Rect. gold.
- 9.—Crown.
- 10.—Old gold lacquer Chinese Smoking Box.
- 11.—Antique Jewelled Necklace (weight of gold alone being \$25.66).
- 12.—Antique Gold and Moonstone Pendant.
- 13.—Sealed Envelope containing interesting document, that will be bought by Mr. Henry Pearce for \$50 cash, if the winner cares to sell it.
- 14.—Mosaic Mirror.
- 15.—18 Carat solid Gold Watch.
- 16.—Gold and Turquoise Pendant.
- 17.—Antique Chinese Gong.
- 18.—Panel of Tapestry.
- 19.—Pearl and Diamond Gold Bracelet.
- 20.—Five Stone Opal Ring.
- 21.—Pearl and Ruby Gold Ring.
- 22.—Hair Ornament.
- 23.—New Panama Hat, valued at \$25.00.
- 24.—China Plaque.
- 25.—Indian Curio (Gloves).
- 26.—Indian Curio (Basket).
- 27.—Camera, 8 by 7 Premo; cost \$40.00.
- 28.—Camera, English quarter plate; cost \$25.
- 29.—Picnic Tea Basket.
- 30.—Water color, Quilicum Bay, by F. C. Hall.
- 31.—Ostrich Feather Willow Plume; value \$50.00.
- 32.—Solid Gold and Turquoise Snake Bracelet.
- 33.—Handmade Silk and Steel Purse.
- 34.—Jet Necklace.
- 35.—Hammered Copper Electric Fitting.
- 36.—14-vo. "The World's Masterpiece of Modern Paintings."
- 37.—Water Color, by A. M. Collis.
- 38.—Black Ostrich Feather Fan.
- 39.—Japanese Silk Scarf.
- 40.—Hand-painted Fan.
- 41.—Irish Crochet Scarf and Fiehu.
- 42.—Hand-painted Table Centre.
- 43.—Framed Picture.
- 44.—Eight days Traveling Clock.
- 45.—Camera (No. 4 Bullet).
- 46.—Hand-chased Silver Gift Card Case.
- 47.—Set of Mathematical Instruments.
- 48.—Case of Berry Spoons, Sugar Sifter.
- 49.—Mahogany and Jewelled Picture Frame (18 in. square).
- 50.—Framed Picture.
- 51.—Encyclopedia Britannica, 1904 edition, 21 volumes, bound in leather, in Oak Book Case.
- 52.—Set of Bancroft's Works, 58 vols.
- 53.—Set of Debates of House of Commons, bound in leather, 47 vols.
- 54.—Revelled Mirror in carved oak frame, 32 in. by 22 in.
- 55.—New Vacuum Cleaner; cost \$100.
- 56.—Picture by Maude Earle.
- 57.—Luree Filter.
- 58.—Edison Phonograph.
- 59.—Linen Press.
- 60.—Ladies' Saddle.
- 61.—Ladies' Saddle.
- 62.—Ladies' Bicycle.
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- 97.—Violin.
- 98.—Old Print Framed.
- 99.—Framed Picture.
- 100.—Folding Nursery Screen, donated by the Lamson Street School children.

The raffle will be drawn on September 22nd, but the sale of the tickets will be closed earlier if all the tickets are sold that will represent the value of the prizes offered, so early application for tickets is necessary. Intending helpers in outlying districts can obtain a book of fifty tickets, price \$5.00 plus postage, and a refund will be made for all unsold tickets if returned with stubs on or before Sept. 21st.

Tickets are on sale at Messrs. O'Connell's store in Government street, and the Superfluites shop, Belmont house.

TICKETS TEN CENTS EACH

COLLECTOR SECURES MANY SPECIMENS

Field Naturalist of Museum Returns From Trip to Lillooet District

With a fine collection of birds, beasts and bugs, as well as plants, E. M. Anderson, field naturalist for the provincial museum, has returned home and is busy classifying and comparing the species. Mr. Anderson spent three months in the Lillooet district, and as a result of plenty of hard work he secured 300 specimens of birds, 175 mammals and numerous entomological specimens, with a few reptiles and fish.

The early days of summer as well as the month of May were spent in the valleys, but in July Mr. Anderson ascended Mount McLean, where he took specimens of ptarmigans, horned larks, rosy finches, pipits, fox sparrows, hermit thrushes and golden crowned sparrows. All of these varieties nested at an altitude of from seven to eight thousand feet. While there he collected many alpine plants, which are now added to the ever increasing collection being made at the museum.

One rare species of birds found by Mr. Anderson was the black-throated grey warbler. Twenty years ago one of these birds was taken by the famous Canadian naturalist and artist, Allan Brooks, who is now fighting at the front. Since that not a single specimen has been seen until this year, when the field naturalist shot three.

The mammals taken on the trip included mice, rats, squirrels, chipmunks, weasels, shrews and rock rabbits, the last mentioned being found on the rocky slides high up in the mountains. The Lillooet district, being on the borderland between the east and west, a number of intermediate species are found there. There is usually a marked difference between the birds of the coast and those east of the mountains. In that intermediate district they sometimes run into each other and curious mixtures result. The Lillooet country is at the commencement of the dry belt. In the valleys there are good fruit lands and many of the famous Ashcroft potatoes are grown there.

PREDICTS ANARCHY WILL FOLLOW WAR

Hon. J. F. Rutherford Delivers Lecture in the Old Victoria Theatre

"Emperor William has the idea that he has authority to rule the world. In Russia the head of the state is also head of the church. You cannot mix religion and politics. The ministers of religion to-day are trying to mix religion and politics and they are failing." So said Hon. J. F. Rutherford, of the International Bible Students' Association, to a packed audience at the old Victoria theatre last night. The subject of his address was "Millarism at Death's Door."

Mr. Rutherford says that the end of the world, which he interprets as being the end of the present system of government, commenced when the war started. He said that he found authority in the Bible to indicate that all nations would be drawn into the war, and that the troubles would be followed by revolution and anarchy. Eventually Christ would come and rule, the dead would rise with new bodies, and families would be re-united and the desert would bloom as the rose, and there would be peace, life, liberty and happiness.

Much of the blame for the present condition of affairs the lecturer described to the clergy. "There are 186 denominations, each expecting to convert all the world, but most of them are preaching politics instead of religion. The census proves that they have failed, for the heathen are increasing in numbers much faster than church members."

The speaker scored the higher critics, the evolutionists, the people who believed in the divine right of kings, those who trusted in money, in socialism, and even Billy Sunday did not escape. He said that the false teachers had suppressed the truth and were leading the people astray. All this was going on in order that the prophecy might be fulfilled.

The increase of knowledge of late years, Mr. Rutherford said, was another fulfillment of prophecy. There had to be a great movement of peoples too and fro and discoveries. This was an indication that the time had come. The whole population of the earth was asleep, however, and instead of telling the truth the preachers were asleep too and talking in their sleep.

Sapleigh—I hope, Miss Ethel, I am not taking up too much of your valuable time. Miss Ethel—Oh, I assure you, Mr. Sapleigh, that the time I spend with you is of no value whatever.

—You charge me fifteen pence for these potatoes? "Yes, madam," answered the polite grocer. "That is the very lowest price we can sell them for."

"How is it that I can get them from Brown's for tenpence then?" "I cannot say, madam. Perhaps Mr. Brown has taken a fancy to you. He is a widower and you are beautiful. Unfortunately, I am fifteen pence."

BACK FROM SIAM TO TAKE HOLIDAY

Missionary Family Arrives on Empress From Land of White Elephant

"Though your readers may not think it true, there are more automobiles in Bangkok than in any city of the far east, with the exception of Manila," said Mrs. Stewart, wife of Rev. H. W. Stewart, on their arrival last evening, on the Empress of Japan.

The station of these Presbyterian missionaries is away up in northern Siam, 11 hours rail journey from the capital, and yet they are looking forward to going back after a long furlough on this continent.

"We live," said Mr. Stewart, "under a benevolent despotism, the king being a man of remarkable talent and ability, and the progress which has been made is truly wonderful. We have a marvelous system of transportation, by rail and waterway in Siam, which enables the missionaries to cover a large territory. There are five stations of my denomination in the north, and a similar number in the south, and much valuable work is being done."

Mr. Stewart spoke of the great progress of Siam in recent years, and the encouragement given by the king to many forms of development and sport. Bangkok had now, he stated, a modern water supply equal to any American city, which in itself showed how anxious the government was for the health of the people.

In answer to the question so often addressed to missionaries in lands where the teacher carries on his work in a foreign tongue and preaches the virtues of a different race, as to how many of the converts remain loyal to the Christian truth after the first enthusiasm of conversion has passed, Mr. Stewart said the percentage is not less than in other parts of the world. The native Siamese Christian is as loyal a witness for the faith as the majority of people elsewhere. They are temperamentally people whose character can be impressed favorably under suitable circumstances.

MISSIONARIES ARE FRIENDLY TO CHANGE

Passengers Arriving on Empress From China Say New President is Sympathetic

The missionaries in China welcome the change of administration at Peking, according to Rev. O. C. Crawford, who with his family arrived on the Empress of Japan last evening from the Orient.

Mr. Crawford is associated with the Northern Presbyterian church at Soo Chow, and thus being close to Shanghai, is in touch with developments in the Yangtze-kiang valley. He says that the missionaries await the development of the new president's policy with considerable interest. They regard him as a man who wishes to introduce western ideas, and give a constitutional administration to the country.

The news just received here of the outbreak in Manchuria, where Chinese troops are besieging a Japanese garrison, occasioned Mr. Crawford no surprise, as he indicated further recrudescence of anti-Japanese feeling were to be anticipated. The Chinese in the Yangtze valley are very bitter against the Japanese, he said, and a recurrence of the boycott may follow at any time. They have not forgotten the attempts made by Japan early last year to force a number of concessions from the late president.

"The church with which I am connected," said Mr. Crawford, "is one of the participants in the benefits of the Rockefeller foundation. Not only will the educational system, which is conducted in English as the medium of instruction for the training of native converts, receive a material advantage from the foundation, but it is expected that the training schools conducted in Chinese will benefit. The missions of China stand to gain materially from the establishment of the foundation."

Among the other passengers from China on board the Empress were Dr. P. C. Hodges, who has been investigating medical work in the country, and Rev. R. F. Edwards, who is engaged in missionary work at Lien Chow, in the extreme south of the province of Quang-tung. He too was accompanied by his family, taking a furlough.

"What!" cried the careful housewife. "You charge me fifteen pence for these potatoes?" "Yes, madam," answered the polite grocer. "That is the very lowest price we can sell them for."

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THE ESQUIMALT KAISER.

To the Editor.—Mr. Pooley at Metchoen endeavored to explain his tyranny in giving four workmen at the dockyard forty-eight hours in which to sever their connection with the Liberal party or suffer the consequences of dismissal from government employ. His chairman, like an obedient courtier, re-echoed his master's remarks and added a few choice words of his own by way of pouring salt into the wounds to see the boys squirm at the picture of their families turned out to starve unless they surrendered the right of free speech and crawled (as the chairman did) at the Kaiser's feet. This incident shows what we are to expect at the hands of Mr. Pooley and his apologist, Mr. Harry Barnard, unless both shall be retired to private life. It is the duty of press and people to crush the tyrants in the interest of free speech and free action. As I write, these words from Shakespeare have occurred to me as applicable to the occasion:

"You do take my house when you do take the prop That doth sustain my house; you take my life When you do take the means whereby I live."

Will the Colonist please inform the electors of Esquimalt why it suppressed the report of the meeting where Mr. Pooley made the remark which has doomed him to certain defeat?

ROSEBANK.

PENSIONS.

To the Editor:—In the press recently I read with much interest where the city council of Prince Albert, Sask., had passed a resolution calling upon the militia department to grant the same pensions to private soldiers as to officers who are disabled in the war. The council agreed at this meeting that it was only by the accident of war that the officers were superior to the men, and in civil life both were equal. Why the militia department is trying to set up a class distinction in this democratic country I am unable to say. There is at the present time an overseas battalion being raised in Central Alberta which is recruited exclusively from among the farmers, homesteaders, etc. In that part of the province. Some of the officers are farmers in civil life. Now if any of these men are disabled why make any distinction in their pensions? They are all straight farmers or ex-farmers. Should any of them get killed in action, then by all means give their wives the same pensions. Why make fish of one woman and flesh of another? I believe the number of the battalion I am referring to is the 187th and commanded by Lieut.-Col. Robinson. I also understand this battalion is noted for its good conduct and absence of crime. I might say in conclusion, that we cannot have an army of officers no matter how well educated and clever the people are. Some men are bound to serve as privates in any case.

HEREFORDSHIRE LAD.

SHOULD COWICHAN DISTRICT BE UNREPRESENTED?

To the Editor:—I observe that a Mr. Wm. Hayward, writing from Shawinigan Lake on the 8th instant, enters a protest against Kenneth F. Duncan presuming to stand for the local House in opposition to Captain W. H. Hayward while that gentleman is absent at the front on duty. He proposes to leave the district unrepresented until it will suit Mr. Hayward's duty obligations to return. The approaching session will probably be the most important ever held in the province, and it is necessary that every seat be filled. Mr. William Hayward adds that the absentee is not "even holding down a sinecure, granting the remuneration without labor."

Captain Hayward is the same gentleman whose name appears in the public accounts as plain W. H. Hayward, M. P. P. having company with Mr. Lucas, also an M. P. P., received several thousand dollars in payment of a sinecure granting remuneration without labor while both were members of the legislature. Under the independence of parliament act neither is allowed to draw one dollar of the government money besides the seasonal allowance of \$1,600 mileage for about six weeks' services each session.

The government records show that Messrs. Hayward and Lucas forfeited their seats by accepting the money they did. They were aware of this fact, but adopted an ingenious method of getting around the penalty. Having submitted their report on agriculture (which by the way is of little value, as neither gentleman has much knowledge of farming), the pair loitered without the bar of the House until the attorney general had introduced and passed a hurry-up bill absolving them from the penalties, which are very severe, for committing an illegality. Then they occupied the seats which they had forfeited. Nothing short of a new election and an appeal to the electorate would have enabled them to continue to occupy their places legally.

I have no objection to Captain Hayward being praised for his patriotism, and I should be well pleased to learn that he has refunded the seasonal allowance that he drew illegally and also the amount which he was paid as agricultural commissioner when he visited numerous countries and had a good



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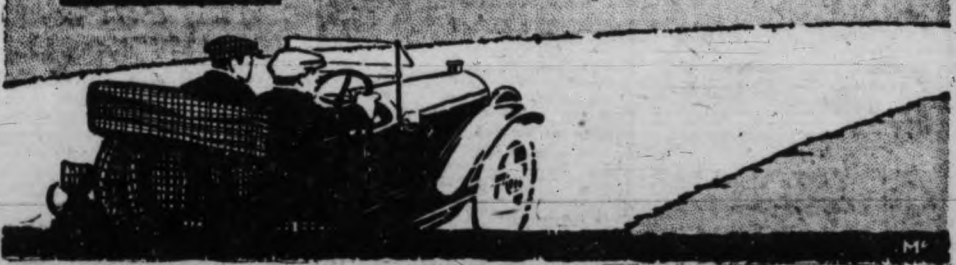


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time in discussing matters of which he has very small knowledge. Perhaps by September 14 next he will realize the enormity of his offence.

Mr. William Hayward takes care to inform the public that while he bears the same name as the captain he is no relative and has not even the pleasure of his acquaintance. Mr. William Hayward is fortunate. I congratulate him.

AGRICOLA.

Aug. 14.
If about debt you think a bit This paradox you'll find. The faster you run into it The more you get behind.

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FORCED TO LEAVE

PASSENGERS BEHIND

Inbound Liner Shidzuoka Maru Unable to Accommodate All Who Wish to Travel

With all her passenger accommodation taken up and her holds literally bulging with Oriental merchandise, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Shidzuoka Maru, Capt. I. Noma, will reach this port at noon tomorrow from the Orient.

So many passengers applied for passage prior to the departure of the liner from Yokohama that four first class passengers were forced to sail in quarters temporarily created in the second-class accommodations. Thirty first class and 180 steerage passengers will arrive by the Shidzuoka.

So great was the demand for space at Yokohama that 8 first class and 52 steerage passengers were unable to secure passage by the liner owing to their limited accommodations. These will cross the Pacific by the next N. Y. K. ship.

Among the saloon passengers on the Shidzuoka Maru are Mr. and Mrs. T. Parsons, returning to the United States after two and a half years' stay in the Philippines, where Mr. Parsons has been postmaster at Iloilo.

As she was the first Japanese boat sailing from Yokohama since the cholera epidemic was discovered on the liner Hawaii Maru, the Shidzuoka Maru and her passengers and crew were subjected to a most rigid medical examination, the vessel being detained 34 hours at the Japanese port. Among the steerage passengers on the Shidzuoka are 54 Russians who are bound to points in Canada and the United States.

LOADED COKE AT CARDIFF

Harrison Freighters Crown of Toledo Expected Here About September 12.

The Harrison Direct Line steamship Crown of Toledo, Capt. Grindlay, which sailed from Cardiff July 26 for Victoria via ports, is due at San Francisco September 7, and is expected to reach here September 12. She loaded coke at the Welsh port for Santa Rosalia. General cargo carried by the steamer was loaded at London, Liverpool and Glasgow.

The Crown of Toledo, as previously reported, will be followed by the Dramatist, which is to close at Liverpool September 14, and is due to reach here at the end of October.

HURRICANE WARNING

Storm is Moving in Northwesterly Direction From Jamaica.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Warning of the approach of a West Indian hurricane was sent to all points on the gulf coast and in the south to-day by the weather bureau. The storm was central this morning apparently about 150 miles northwest of Jamaica, moving in a northwesterly direction.

SANTA RITA AT SEATTLE.

The W. R. Grace freighter Santa Rita, which was expected to come here to discharge freight, has turned up at Seattle with a cargo of 1,800 tons of sugar from Honolulu. She proceeded to Hawaii from the west coast of South America. The Santa Rita was formerly known as the William Chatham.

HAZEL DOLLAR DEPARTS.

Laden with a full cargo of railroad material for Vladivostok, the Dollar Line steamer Hazel Dollar, Capt. Ridley, passed out at 10 a. m. to-day from Vancouver. The next Dollar steamer to arrive on the coast from the Orient will be the Besse Dollar, which is reported to have sailed from Hongkong on August 14.

PASSENGER AGENT HERE.

A. P. Chapman, general agent passenger department, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, with headquarters at Seattle, is in town to-day on his way to Vancouver.

ALBERT CARRYING ORE.

The G. T. P. steamer Prince Albert is due at Tacoma to-day with 1,000 tons of ore from the Roche de Boule mine near Hazelton.

RECORD FISH CATCH EXPECTED THIS MONTH

Over Nine Million Pounds Landed at Prince Rupert During July

Prince Rupert, Aug. 16.—During the month of July, according to official figures, there were over 9,000,000 pounds of fish landed in Prince Rupert and in the canneries that are located on the Skeena tributary to here. These are the figures for a period extending from June 25 to July 25, and not for the calendar month. The showing is one that speaks volumes for this centre in a fishing way.

Of course, it has been a heavy month for salmon—one of the largest months for the year, but in the matter of halibut, which continues a good part of the year, the showing has been an excellent one. Nearly two and a quarter million pounds of halibut came in in that time.

The figures show the following for the month: Salmon, 6,655,500 lbs.; cod, 61,300 lbs.; and halibut, 2,497,200 lbs. This showing in the fishing business is one of which the city might well be proud. In the line of halibut—which has become the staple production, extending as it does over a large part of the year—the record for July of two and a quarter million puts this port in the forefront. At an average of 20,000 lbs. to a carload, which is the recognized weight allowed to be carried, there were about 125 carloads landed here during July. With the demand such as it has been, the great part of this halibut went out fresh in refrigerator cars.

The month of August, however, is going to prove a still heavier one in the trade. Already, since the first of August, there has been about 1,400,000 lbs. of halibut brought in here.

The settlement of the strike, as far as the deep sea fishermen were concerned, which has prevailed along the Pacific coast all year, up to about a month ago, is having a most beneficial effect upon the receipts of halibut.

MEXICO COMING ON

Osaka Shosen Kaisha Liner is Due Here From Yokohama Sunday Week.

Messrs. R. P. Rithet & Co., agents for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, have been advised that the Japanese liner Mexico Maru, which sailed from Yokohama August 12, two days behind schedule, will arrive at this port on Sunday, August 27.

She is bringing in 190 passengers all told. The Mexico Maru is running but four days behind the delayed liner Hawaii Maru.

STEAMED LONG DISTANCE

George W. Fenwick Traveled 10,000 Miles to and From Vladivostok.

The little steamer George W. Fenwick, in the service of the Dollar Line, which passed up to Vancouver the other day, has already traveled 10,000 miles and has more to go. She brought in a cargo of beet seed from the Black Sea region and steamed about 5,000 miles to Vladivostok where the cargo was loaded. She then traversed the 4,000 miles across the Pacific. The beet seed is consigned to sugar planters in the southern and central states.

ATSUTA WENT ASHORE

N. Y. K. European Liner Grounded While Plying the Inland Sea of Japan.

At the time the Empress of Japan sailed from Yokohama the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Atsuta Maru, 5,044 net tons, a vessel engaged in the Yokohama-London service, was ashore at the northern point of Ogasima Island, inland sea of Japan. Passengers were taken off shortly after the stranding and two salvage vessels were rushed to the steamer's assistance.

The position of the ship was such that it was expected she would be floated without difficulty.

VALUABLE SILK SHIPMENT.

Included in the cargo of the Japanese liner Shidzuoka Maru, which is posted to arrive here to-morrow, is a shipment of 2,450 bales of raw silk and cases of silk goods, valued at \$1,254,000.

PRINCE GEORGE FOR ANYOX.

The Grand Trunk Pacific steamer Prince George, Capt. D. Donald, left port on time this afternoon on her northern trip to Prince Rupert and Anyox. She is taking a large list of passengers north.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific standard) at Victoria, B. C., for the month of August, 1916:

	Sunrise	Sunset
Hour Min.	Hour Min.	Hour Min.
Aug. 10	5 10	7 37
Aug. 11	5 9	7 37
Aug. 12	5 8	7 37
Aug. 13	5 7	7 36
Aug. 14	5 6	7 35
Aug. 15	5 5	7 34
Aug. 16	5 4	7 33
Aug. 17	5 3	7 32
Aug. 18	5 2	7 31
Aug. 19	5 1	7 30
Aug. 20	5 0	7 29
Aug. 21	4 59	7 28
Aug. 22	4 58	7 27
Aug. 23	4 57	7 26
Aug. 24	4 56	7 25
Aug. 25	4 55	7 24
Aug. 26	4 54	7 23
Aug. 27	4 53	7 22
Aug. 28	4 52	7 21
Aug. 29	4 51	7 20
Aug. 30	4 50	7 19
Aug. 31	4 49	7 18

The Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B. C.

JAPAN MADE FAST RUN FROM ORIENT

Actual Steaming Time From Yokohama Was 11 Days, 14 Hours and 19 Minutes

Twelve days 2 hours and 10 minutes from Yokohama to Victoria, wharf to wharf, and 11 days, 14 hours, 1 minute actual steaming time, was the performance of the C. P. O. S. liner Empress of Japan, which arrived at the outer docks at 5.30 p. m. yesterday afternoon from the Far East.

Capt. W. Dixon-Hopcraft, R. N. R., looking bronzed and well, who is again in charge of the bridge of the trim two-stacker, says the liner had an exceptionally fine passage under perfect weather conditions. The strongest breeze encountered throughout the trans-Pacific trip was after the ship passed in the straits yesterday. Under the prevailing conditions it was only to be expected that the vessel would be opened up and a splendid average was maintained right from the time she slipped away from the Japan coast.

Chief Engineer W. C. Shiner was pleased with the smart run made by the liner, which has still to be reckoned with as one of the speedy vessels on the Pacific. That the Empress of Japan can do better is indicated by the fact that before the advent of the Russia and Asia she held the Pacific record of 10 days, 10 hours.

The liner brought in a total of 195 passengers in all classes, 124 being in the saloon. Eight first class passengers, including Capt. J. T. Douglas, Mrs. Douglas and Master Sholto Douglas, and 24 Chinese steerage passengers, were disembarked at the outer docks.

Baron Akherholm, a Swedish diplomat who has been attached to Yokohama, is on his way to Washington. C. E. Haslam, of Cobble Hill, accompanied by his brother, B. J. Haslam, the latter having spent some time in the Orient, were also passengers by the Empress.

Capt. A. Knudson, a Norwegian shipping master, is returning home after having delivered the Titania to her new owners in Japan. The Titania was formerly owned by Tonsberg, Norway, and is well known as a North Pacific trader.

The Empress brought in a capacity cargo, which included large shipments of tea taken aboard at Hongkong, Keelung and Shimidzu. Her raw silk cargo amounted to 1,600 bales valued at approximately a million dollars.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Ladysmith, B. C., Aug. 15.—Arrived: Str. Despatch from Seattle via Anacortes, San Francisco, Aug. 15.—Arrived: Str. Richmond and bgo No. 35 from Seattle; Str. Frank H. Buck from Vancouver; Str. Congress, from San Diego; Str. Panama Maru (Jap.) from China; Str. Wilhelmina, from Honolulu. Sailed: Str. Monterey and str. El Segundo, for Portland; Str. Sierra, for Sydney; str. Col. E. L. Drake, for Honolulu; str. City of Manila (Br) for Vladivostok.

Portland, Aug. 15.—Sailed: Str. Fort Bragg and str. Carmel, for San Francisco; Flavel, Aug. 15.—Sailed: Str. Northern Pacific, for San Francisco.

San Pedro, Cal., Aug. 15.—Arrived: Str. President, from Puget sound. Sailed: Str. Necanicum, for Eureka; str. Grays Harbor and Wapinitia, for San Francisco; str. Capt. A. F. Lucas, for Vancouver, B. C.

Astoria, Ore., Aug. 15.—Sailed: Str. Northern Pacific, for San Francisco. Seattle, Aug. 15.—Arrived: Str. Santa Rita, west coast, str. Amur, Britannia Beach, B. C.; str. Morning Star, Vancouver, B. C. Sailed: Str. City of Seattle, Southeastern Alaska; str. Humboldt, Southeastern Alaska; str. Admiral Schley, San Francisco; str. Latouche, Noma and str. Michael, str. W. S. Porter, San Francisco; str. Cordova, Southeastern Alaska; str. Ixion, Vancouver, B. C.; str. Mills, Eagle harbor; str. Governor, Vancouver, B. C., via Anacortes.

Paita, Aug. 12.—Arrived: Str. Columbia, from Puget sound, via San Francisco. Cristobal, Aug. 11.—Sailed: Str. Teucer, from Seattle, for Liverpool. Aug. 15.—Arrived: Str. Buena Ventura, from Norfolk for San Diego. Sailed: Str. Idomeus, from San Francisco for Boston.

Shanghai, Aug. 15.—Sailed: Str. Kilmara Maru, for Seattle, via San Francisco; str. Lewis Luckenbach, for Vancouver, B. C.

Vladivostok, Aug. 5.—Arrived: Str. Sakai Maru, from Seattle, Aug. 4.—Arrived: Str. Unkal Maru No. 5, from Vancouver, B. C. Aug. 12.—Arrived: Str. Tokai Maru, from Seattle; str. Siberia Maru, from San Francisco.

Callao, Aug. 12.—Arrived: Str. Hokkai Maru, from Seattle, via ports. Arica, Aug. 14.—Sailed: Str. Curcio, for Vancouver, B. C., via ports.

Yokohama, Aug. 14.—Arrived: Str. Tokyo Maru, from Seattle; str. Idomeus, from San Francisco. Sydney, Aug. 15.—Arrived: Str. Sonoma, from San Francisco.

Hongkong, Aug. 14.—Sailed: Str. Besse Dollar, from Vancouver, B. C. Yokohama, Aug. 14.—Sailed: Str. Mexico Maru, from Seattle, via Victoria, B. C. Bahia, Aug. 15.—Arrived: Str. Peru, from San Francisco. Aug. 14.—Sailed: Str. Cordelia, for San Francisco.

HAS NITRATE CARGO

Steamer Colusa Due in Port From the West Coast of South America.

With a shipment of nitrates for Victoria and 4,500 tons of copper ore for Tacoma, the W. R. Grace steamer Colusa is due from the west coast of South America. The Colusa will discharge her nitrate cargo here before shifting to Puget Sound.

The nitrate is consigned to the Victoria Chemical Works, but it is not yet definitely known whether the shipment will be put off here or at the James Island plant.

Another Grace steamer shortly expected from the west coast with nitrates is the Cuzco.

Have you smoked "Nobleman" Cigars lately?

ANDERSON PARTY RETURNS TO NOME

Explorer Stefansson Continuing Work of Discovery in Polar Regions

Nome, Alaska, Aug. 16.—Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the Canadian Arctic explorer who went into the Polar regions in the summer of 1913, probably will not return to civilization during the present season, but will continue his work of exploring newly discovered land north of Prince Patrick Land.

This news was brought here by members of the Stefansson party who returned here yesterday on the power schooner Alaska. The party aboard the Alaska were the southern party, under Dr. Rudolph Anderson, Stefansson's chief subordinate, who had been exploring and charting the coast line bordering Union and Dolphin Straits and the Coronation Gulf region, far east of the Mackenzie river mouth.

All of the little party which left here on the Alaska in July, 1913, returned, with the exception of Daniel Blue, engineer, who died of disease at Dailey Island during May, 1915.

The members of the bronzed crew which reached here yesterday were: Dr. R. Cox, surgeon; D. Jensen, anthropologist; J. Johansen, oceanographer and entomologist; George Wilkins, photographer. The schooner was under the command of Capt. Sweeney, who joined the expedition while it was in Arctic waters. The entire party were in good physical condition.

Most of the time since the spring of 1914, the party has been in quarters at Bernard Harbor, on Coronation Gulf, east of the Mackenzie river, one of the least known sections of the habitable earth.

The last member of the party to see Stefansson was Wilkins, who was one of those who dropped from the ill-fated Karluk shortly before that vessel was carried away in the grip of the northern ice in the fall of 1913, and later crushed near Herschel Island.

Wilkins was with Stefansson last winter, having rejoined him last year. After spending some time with the Stefansson party, Wilkins made the trip over the ice to Coronation Gulf and joined the Anderson party.

The bulk of the scientific work of the expedition has been carried on by this branch party, and much valuable information has been obtained from the barren reaches of the frozen North.

The first winter after leaving Nome the party spent at Manning Point, near Camden Bay, after having failed to find a passage through the heavy ice to the westward. The following spring, Dr. Anderson proceeded to the east and reached Coronation Gulf in the summer of 1914. Quarters were established in Bernard Harbor, and these quarters became the base for the expedition.

The summer and winter of 1915 were spent in scientific labor around Coronation Gulf. The party left Coronation Gulf for Behring Sea in June of this year.

Mr. Wilkins learned from Stefansson that the new land which the explorer discovered may be described as a section of Greenland. Up to the time that Stefansson left the new land after his memorable trip across the frozen sea with Storker, Storkerson and Ole Anderson, the explorer traced about 200 miles of the shore line, and found high mountains upon it. Mr. Wilkins says that it was Stefansson's intention to return to the new land last spring to continue the work of exploration.

Most of the Alaska's party will proceed to the States, but it is possible Dr. Anderson may return North to continue his investigations.

WIRELESS REPORT

Aug. 16, 9 a. m.

Point Grey—Overcast; S. E. light; 29.9; 54; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Clear; N. W. light; 29.85; 59; sea smooth.

Pachena—Cloudy; N. W.; 29.85; 60; sea moderate.

Estevan—Clear; N. W.; 29.70; 55; sea moderate.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.74; 54; sea smooth.

Triangle—Passing showers; S. W. light; 29.8; 59; sea moderate.

Point Prince John 10 p. m. off Egg Island; southbound; tug Tye 2.15 a. m. off Safety Cove, northbound.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; calm; 29.78; 54; sea smooth.

Ikedda Bay—Cloudy; W.; 29.62; 51; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 29.80; 50; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Clear; calm; 29.80; 50; sea smooth. Passed str. Prince Rupert 6.30 a. m., northbound.

Noon.

Point Grey, Cloudy; S. E. light; 29.95; 55; sea smooth. Passed in str. Canowau, noon; out, str. Governor, noon.

Cape Lazo—Cloudy; N. W. light; 29.87; 58; sea smooth.

Pachena—Cloudy; N. W.; 29.91; 62; light swell. Str. Tees abeam, 11.55 a. m., northbound.

Estevan—Clear; W.; 29.72; 59; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Clear; calm; 29.74; 68; sea smooth.

Triangle—Overcast; W. light; 30.02; 57; sea smooth.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; S. E.; 29.80; 57; sea smooth.

Ikedda Bay—Cloudy; W. light; 29.50; 60; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Drizzling rain; S. E. light; 29.81; 54; sea smooth.

NILE CHANGES HANDS.

The former Pacific Mail liner Nile has been purchased by the China Mail Steamship Company. She will be operated in the trans-Pacific trade in conjunction with the steamship China. The Nile is a vessel of 1,125 net tons and was built at Glasgow in 1893.

DRASTIC PRECAUTIONS TAKEN AT YOKOHAMA

Empress Brings Word of Steps Adopted to Stamp Out Cholera on Hawaii Maru

When the C. P. O. S. liner Empress of Japan left Yokohama on August 4 twenty-six cholera victims had been taken from the O. S. K. liner Hawaii Maru, and of that number four cases had proved fatal. The Hawaii Maru was detained at Yokohama following the discovery among her passengers of a woman suffering from a disease supposed to be cholera, and on July 29 the patient died.

As the result of a post mortem examination the case was ascertained to be genuine cholera, and the ship was ordered to proceed to the quarantine station at Nagahama. The Japanese quarantine officials were unable to determine at which port the disease had its origin. Radical steps were taken, both by the quarantine authorities and the Yokohama municipality, to prevent further spread of the epidemic. Those who were compelled to visit the liner were thoroughly disinfected and other stringent precautions were taken. Guards were placed along the shore of the harbor to prevent anyone getting in contact with the water, and the sea water near the liner and that of the bathing place near Yokohama was placed under microscopic examination.

Under the quarantine regulations of Japan all expenses incidental to cases of this kind have to be borne by the steamship company, and consequently the loss to the Osaka Shosen Kaisha will be considerable. To accommodate the people ordered ashore the steamship company had barracks built at Nagahama.

After 12 days detention, during which time she was fumigated from stem to stern, the Hawaii Maru was permitted to proceed on August 9 for Victoria, and is due here next Wednesday. She is coming across the Pacific in charge of a new crew and carries no passengers. On the arrival of the liner at Yokohama she had on board 8 first-class and 177 steerage passengers.

All mail carried by the Hawaii Maru for Canada, the northern part of the United States and Europe was transferred to the Empress of Japan, which arrived here yesterday afternoon, while the mail matter destined for the southern part of the United States was trans-shipped to the T. K. K. liner Tenyo Maru, bound for San Francisco.

Position—At the entrance to West arm of Kootenay lake. Date of alteration—On or about August 1, 1916, without further notice. Alteration—The characteristic of the under-mentioned beacon lights will be changed from fixed white to fixed red.

(226) Kootenay lake, West arm—Change in color of beacon lights.

Former notice—No. 135 (438) of 1913. Date of alteration—On or about August 1, 1916, without further notice. Alteration—The characteristic of the under-mentioned beacon lights will be changed from fixed white to fixed red; Harpors, Thirteen-mile point, Nine-mile point, Seven-mile point, Five-mile point, Roberts point.

(226) Vancouver island—West coast—Barkley sound—Schart channel, eastern entrance—Swale rock light—New structure—Change in character of light.

A new structure and an acetylene lighting apparatus will, without further notice, be provided for Swale rock light, as follows: Date of alterations—On or before September 1, 1916. Position—On the eastern end of Swale rock. Lat. N. 48 deg. 55 min. 40 sec. long. W. 125 deg. 13 min. 12 sec. New character—White light, automatically occulted at short intervals. Elevation—35 feet. Visibility—11 miles from all points of approach. Illuminating apparatus—A lens lantern with illuminant—Acetylene, generated automatically. New structure—Steel cylindrical tank, surmounted by a pyramidal steel frame supporting the lantern. Color—White. Remarks—The light is unwatched.

(227) Chatham sound—Pointer rocks gas-lighted beacon—New lighting apparatus. A new acetylene lighting apparatus has been installed in Pointer rocks gas beacon. Position—On the southernmost Pointer rock. Lat. N. 54 deg. 38 min. 15 sec. long. W. 130 deg. 32 min. 16 sec. Structure—Pyramidal steel frame on concrete foundation. Color—White. Character of light—White light, automatically occulted at short intervals. Illuminant—Acetylene, compressed in acetone.

(228) Queen Charlotte islands—Hecate strait—Shicoutle inlet—Copper islands gas-lighted beacon—New structure and lighting apparatus. A new acetylene lighting apparatus has been provided for Copper islands beacon light, as follows: Position—On the eastern extreme of the easternmost Copper island. Lat. N. 52 deg. 19 min. 48 sec. long. W. 121 deg. 10 min. 10 sec. New structure—Square concrete base, surmounted by a staff supporting a slatwork ball, with lantern on top. Color—White. Character of light—White light, automatically occulted at short intervals. Elevation of light—50 feet. Illuminant—Acetylene, compressed in acetone.

(229) Queen Charlotte islands—Hecate strait—Off Selwyn inlet—Low island gas-lighted beacon—New structure and lighting apparatus. A new acetylene lighting apparatus has been provided for Low island beacon light, as follows: Position—On the northwest end of the northernmost Low island. Lat. N. 52 deg. 54 min. 40 sec. long. W. 121 deg. 30 min. 50 sec. New structure—Square concrete base, surmounted by a staff carrying a slatwork ball, with lantern on top. Color—White. Character of light—White light, automatically occulted at short intervals. Elevation of light—43 feet. Illuminant—Acetylene, compressed in acetone.

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Want Holidays Extended.—The delegation from the Vancouver school board which arrived this morning, brought a recommendation from Dr. Underhill, health officer of that city, suggesting that it might be wise to have the city schools kept closed for another month for fear of an invasion of infantile paralysis. They did not present their case to the superintendent of education this morning, and it is doubtful if action will be taken in any event, as there have been no cases reported in this province yet.

Phoenix Stout, 2 quarts for 25c.

Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for:

34, 122, 123, 127, 182, 191, 224, 238, 251, 267, 314, 349, 372, 475, 503, 513, 535, 538, 540, 542, 4071, 4078, 4086, 4107, 4238, 4243, 4261, 4282, 4284, 4294.

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PROSPECT LAKE WATERFRONT—Large lot, all good land, excellent approach to beach. Price \$400, any reasonable terms. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas St. Phone 1406.

SACRIFICE IN SMALL HOME—Four rooms, modern, near Jubilee hospital, lot 45 x 110. Price, \$1,500, \$300 cash, or \$1,000, \$400 cash balance to suit. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas St. Phone 1406.

HOCKING, James Bay plumber—Repairs, ranges connected, coils made, etc. 345 St. James St. Phone 3711.

NEW SEWING MACHINE STORE, 718 Yates St., successor to White Sewing Machine Store.

TO LET—Furnished, 11 room rooming house, close in. Box 268 Times.

813 COOK STREET—Large bed sitting room, with board. Phone 1068.

WANTED—Man to make himself useful on motor launch. R. J. Hamilton, Causeway Boat House, Phone 3445.

PUBLIC MARKET OPEN all day Saturday with full supply of dairy and farm products.

FINEST STOCK of machines ever shown in the city. 718 Yates St. Phone 1406.

FOR RENT—Tango Lodge, 6 room bungalow, George waterfront, low rent. Mrs. A. B. Gray, 603 Pine, mornings and evenings.

T. BUTCHER, sewer and cement work. Phone 2381, 229 Lee avenue.

HAVE YOU visited Victoria's new fancy goods store, 718 Yates St.

WANTED—A smart, intelligent English boy as office boy. Apply before 10 a. m. to the Manager, The Week, 625 Courtney street.

FURNITURE at Ferris' second hand store for bargains; save 50 per cent. 2019 Douglas.

SPECIAL BARGAINS for Friday, 718 Yates, new sewing machine store.

G. FERRIS, furniture dealer, has several inquiries for houses of furniture. If you have any for sale phone 1859 or call 1019 Douglas.

SPOT CASH for clean books used in B. C. schools. Beta Book Store, 852 Yates St.

THE LATEST in silk blouses, 718 Yates.

STRAYED—Just over two weeks, from the neighborhood of Wellington Ave., field spaniel dog pup; head and body evenly marked white and brown, with slight tint of white in one nostril; tall short; very fond of children; answers to name of Brewster. Reward given to whom will give information as to his whereabouts. Phone 2741.

SEWING MACHINES for rent, 718 Yates.

LOST—Blood stone out of silver ring. Return to C. A. Cornwall, 1339 Eglar St.

PUBLIC MARKET OPEN all day Saturday with full supply of dairy and farm products.

WANTED—Marquee tent. Box 573 Times.

335 BUYS 5-passenger car, 707 Fort street.

WE GUARANTEE every sewing machine sold at 718 Yates.

PHONE 2741 for private touring car at reasonable rates; experienced driver (owner).

FOR SALE—Boston bull puppy, female, \$20. Phone 740.

"DON", one of Macdonell's field trial pointers, 2 1/2 years old, liver and white dog, thoroughly broken, retrieves land and water; lowest price, \$75; ill-health reason for selling. Rev. F. G. Christman, Duncan.

335 CASH will buy house, 4 rooms, bathroom, pantry, hot and cold water. Lot on lease on main Saanich road; would make good business premises. Apply Box 509, Times.

SMALL furnished cottage for rent, at near 43 Vancouver St.

60 CENTS AN HOUR for your plumbing work. Phone 1915. Standard Plumbing Company, office 25 Winch Building.

WANTED TO PURCHASE, for own use, part or whole of contents of a home, spot cash; no dealers. Box 567, Times.

WORK WANTED—4 or 5 hours daily, by widow with small family. Box 567, Times.

TO EXCHANGE—Partly improved section, Manitoba. J. G. Patterson, 1011 Hibben Bldg.

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WELCOME NEW PASTOR TO METROPOLITAN

Rev. H. S. Osborne Recipient of Addresses From Church Societies

There were about three hundred present last evening at the congregational welcome by the Metropolitan Methodist church to their new pastor, Rev. H. S. Osborne. The gathering was held in the schoolroom of the church, and was presided over by Arthur Lee, who in a brief opening address expressed the purpose of the gathering and in a general way prefaced the welcome that was to be extended by the various organizations of the church in the course of the evening. Beside the big representation from the congregation there were present several of the Methodist ministers of the district: Rev. John Robson, Rev. S. J. Thompson, Rev. A. B. Oetzerhout and Rev. Robert Hughes, all of whom extended the hand of greeting and fellowship to the new pastor.

All the societies within the Metropolitan Methodist church were represented. The Epworth League, through Miss Beale, gave a very hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Osborne and their son, Miss Foxall represented the Young Ladies' Club, Mr. Staneland the Sunday School, Mrs. Weston the Ladies' Guild, Mrs. Brown the Missionary Society, and Mr. Downard the choir. The official board was represented by Arthur Lee.

All the words of greeting Mr. Osborne suitably acknowledged, expressing not a little surprise that so many people were present at this time of the year for an indoors function of the kind. Two returned missionaries, Rev. Mr. Baker and Rev. Mr. Chappell, were among the gathering.

A nice musical programme was given between other items, among those who took part being Miss Eide, Mrs. Morton, Miss Winnie Bell, Miss Luney, Mrs. Downard and J. O. Dunford. At the close of the evening everyone seized the opportunity to go forward and shake hands personally with the new minister and Mrs. Osborne.

LOCAL NEWS

Eight Watchmakers. Haynes has developed the largest watch repair business in Victoria. Satisfaction, reliability and moderate prices did it. Bring your repairs to Haynes.

Phoenix Stout, 2 qts. for 25c.

C. V. Milton, A. C. P., English, mathematics, Latin, etc., preparation for exams. Phone 4774X and 2951.

Hudson's Bay "Imperial" Lager Beer, quarts, 3 for 50c.

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Elks Meet To-night—Several candidates will be initiated at to-night's meeting of the Elks lodge. Other important matters are to come under consideration and a full attendance is requested.

A VALUABLE FIND.

It is astonishing what may crop up from time to time to further establish the great possibilities that exist in this important province, while it is true that I have been an optimist in regard to its future, I find that there are discoveries being made in different parts of British Columbia that promise great results. I have just been informed of one to my mind of much importance: A native son of this city took a notion that he would like to prospect Graham Island, which he has done, with the result that, in one locality he found exuding from the interstices of the rocks a tar like sticky substance which he did not understand, and being of an inquiring turn of mind he took a number of samples and brought them to this city, and by the advice of a friend took a portion of the samples to Messrs. Ricketts and Bond, Wall street, New York City, who have a reputation all over the United States, to be analyzed with the result that the bitumen contained in the samples was nearly double what was expected. On the way home the Victoria boy, while visiting relatives in Toledo, came in contact with men in the oil business who were very much interested in his finds, and felt from their experience that oil would be found underlying such exhalations; they being experts in that industry, with the result that a company is now being formed to prospect for oil. The holder of the analysis intends returning to the property soon and would locate land for any one who feels that they wish to become interested. The analysis points to no failure in the proposition.

I will be pleased to give information to any one wishing to know of the analysis samples, etc.

The Victorian, when the time is ripe, which will be in the near future, desires to have some British Columbian interested in the undertaking. If they so desire, but he is assured that he can obtain all the money required from our cousins on the other side of the line.

JOHN GRANT.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 15, 1916.

Mrs. Newlwyd (who has been hearing news of an old sweetheart, whom she jilted): "And when you told him I was married did he seem to be interested in the undertaking. If they so desire, but he is assured that he can obtain all the money required from our cousins on the other side of the line."

"Verdun has been the Germans' worst mistake," says a war expert; but not, perhaps, so great as setting out to conquer the world.

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MEAT STALLHOLDERS MAY REMAIN OPEN

Magistrate Decides That Weekly Half-Holiday Act Does Not Apply to Market

The meat stallholders in the city market may remain open after one o'clock on Saturdays, irrespective of the Weekly Half Holiday Act.

This position follows the decision of Magistrate Prior of charges against A. E. Simmons and others for keeping their stalls open after 1 p. m. on July 23, which announcement was made in the police court to-day. His honor indicated that the verbal intimation would be followed with a written statement covering the arguments raised by counsel at the hearing some days ago. These arguments centred round the point of whether a market stall is a shop within the meaning of the act. Another important point raised at the hearing on August 4 was whether a subsequent statute revoked powers given to the municipality to operate a market, and provide regulations for same. Since the act came into operation on July 3 the civic market committee has carefully kept aloof from this matter, after at the outset diverting the stallholders that the risk would be theirs if they operated at hours which were illegal to store premises. Counsel asked the court to decide whether market stalls were store premises, on the ground that a shop must be something of a permanent character, in which the lessee had a definite interest, and right to store his wares, which was not the case with a market stall.

City Prosecutor Harrison appeared for the police, and Frank Higgins for the defence.

MAY VISIT VICTORIA

Premier Norris of Manitoba is now on way to the Coast.

Hon. T. C. Norris, premier of Manitoba and leader of the Liberal party in the prairie province, is on his way west and is expected to arrive at Vancouver either to-day or to-morrow.

Premier Norris is on a holiday trip to the coast. He left Winnipeg early last week and spent a day at Banff on the way west. He will probably include Victoria in his tour while he is visiting the coast.

A. J. Macdonald, of the Pinkerton detective office at Seattle, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Macdonald at the Aberdeen.

Miss Marian Heming is back from Vancouver, where she went early in the week with her sister, Miss Frances Heming, who has gone back to Ottawa after a short visit in Victoria.

Mrs. R. W. Smith, Miss Smith, Mr. Willard Smith, of Chicago, are visiting Mrs. Smith's brother, Capt. Charles Moore, and family, at 1014 Pembroke street. This is the first time the two families have met for 20 years. The visitors are much pleased with the beauties of Victoria.

To the Editor:—The press committee of the navy yard employees wish as far as possible to acquaint the local newspapers and their readers with the situation from time to time.

The position at present is the same as yesterday. The unfair labor is still being employed by the Messrs. Yarrows, therefore the navy yard employees are prevented from working by Messrs. Yarrows.

In fairness to the persons concerned this committee wish to make public a persistent report that is being circulated to the effect that on the 16th of next month a bill will be introduced into the Dominion parliament to establish a nine-hour day in the navy yard at Esquimalt, the said bill to be presented at the request of Messrs. Yarrows, Ltd., by some of the local members for that House, the names of Messrs. Barnard and Thompson being used.

We take this opportunity of acquainting these gentlemen of this report, which is calculated to damage them and their party by being associated with such a reactionary suggestion. This publicity will give them the opportunity to refute this report.

JAR. MCNEWMAN, L. B. STEEDMAN, R. FANTHORPE, J. McMASTER.

Press Committee, Esquimalt, Aug. 16.

WILL MEET TO-NIGHT AT SEMPLE'S HALL

Liberal Candidates to Discuss Subjects of Great Interest to Electors

A good deal of interest is being taken in the public meeting to be held to-night in the interest of the Liberal candidates at Semple's hall, Victoria West.

The speakers will include Messrs. H. C. Hall, John Hart and Geo. Bell, three of the candidates.

Mr. Hall will speak on the Pacific Great Eastern and will shed a good deal of light on the transaction. The other speakers will take up other subjects of vital interest to the electors just now and, as this is the first occasion on which they have had an opportunity to speak to the electors since their nomination, what they have to say should prove of great interest.

Mr. Hart as manager of the provincial campaign is in touch with all the activities of the party throughout the province, and for that reason alone will be able to speak authoritatively on many subjects. Mr. Bell will also speak on issues before the electors at present.

The meeting will commence at 8 p. m. and ladies are invited.

The Liberal workers in Ward III are asked to meet to-morrow, Thursday, evening in the central committee rooms, Arcade building. Matters of interest to the ward will be discussed.

The Liberal workers in Ward IV are asked to meet on Friday evening in the Arcade rooms at 8 o'clock. Business of importance will be before the meeting, and all Liberals interested in the campaign are asked to be present.

A. W. McArthur, Liberal candidate for the Esquimalt district, has gone to Port Renfrew. He will return on Friday.

SCHOOL FOR BLIND UNDER DISCUSSION

Delegation Waits Upon Minister of Education; Present Views

A delegation representing the Victoria and Vancouver school boards waited on the minister of education this morning to discuss the question of the institution of a school for the blind in this province.

It has been the custom in the past to send one or two blind children to an eastern institution, but the parents of the children did not like their going so far from home. Accordingly arrangements were made with the department of education to have them educated at Vancouver. A blind lady, who is very proficient in the Braille system, undertook the work of instruction. She took the children into her home and has met with considerable success.

Now it is found that more financial aid is required, so it is proposed by the Vancouver delegates that the government shall allow the sum of \$20 a month for each pupil's board, in addition to the regular teacher's allowance. This the government have under consideration.

The Vancouver delegation which arrived this morning included Chairman Seymour, A. C. Stewart, Dr. Lang and Municipal Inspector Gordon. Victoria was represented by Mrs. Jenkins, J. C. Deaville and Inspector Paul. They were received by Dr. McGuire with Dr. Robinson present, and the whole matter was discussed.

There are at present five pupils receiving instruction, three from Victoria and two from Vancouver. Several other applications have been received from other parts of the province. Because of this it is thought that the work should be brought under provincial control.

PUBLIC MARKET.

Little or no change was shown in quotations to-day, a fair business being done. The display of fruit, vegetables, dairy products, plants and flowers was excellent. Prices ruled at the following average figures:

Fruit—Greengages, per lb. 10c; pears, 8 lbs. 25c; loganberries, 4 boxes 25c; loganberries, per crate \$1.25; peaches, basket 35c; eating apples, 7 lbs. 25c; crab apples, 8 lbs. 25c; cherries, 6 boxes 25c.

Dairy produce—Eggs, per dozen 40c; eggs, 2 dozen 75c; butter, per lb. 40c; butter, per lb. 45c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, 15 lb. 25c; beans, 6 lbs. 25c; lettuce, 2 heads 5c; large onions, 2 bunches 10c; carrots, 2 bunches 5c; beets, 2 bunches 5c; rhubarb, per bunch 10c; cabbage, 2 for 5c; cucumbers, each 5c; tomatoes, per lb. 10c; spinach, bunch 10c.

Meats—Lamb, per lb. 18c to 25c; mutton, per lb. 16c to 25c; veal, per lb. 18c to 25c; beef, per lb. 10c to 15c; pork, per lb. 16c to 20c; fowl, per lb. 20c; chickens, per lb. 25c; ducks, per lb. 25c.

Fish—Cod, per lb. 10c; black cod, per lb. 12c; spring salmon, 12 1/2c to 15c; halibut, per lb. 10c to 12c; fresh herrings, per lb. 10c; smelts, 2 lbs. 25c; crabs, each 10c to 12c; kippers, 2 lbs. 25c; smoked black cod 15c; smoked salmon, per lb. 17c; smoked best fillets, per lb. 15c; smoked cod tips, per lb. 5c.

"That lady plays bridge every week-day of the year. Isn't she wonderful?" "Can't say that she is. By wonderful we mean something to wonder at. Now, if she remained at home occasionally and looked after her home, that would be wonderful."

Have you smoked "Noblemen" Cigars lately?

WILL SPEAK HERE ON MONDAY EVENING

Sir C. H. Tupper to Give Address in Old Victoria Theatre

On the invitation of and under the auspices of the Imperial Conservative Association of this city, Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper will give an address on Monday evening next in the old Victoria theatre, his subject being "Cleaner Provincial Politics."

Sir Charles was formerly a member of a Conservative ministry and has been well known for many years as one of the best public speakers in the country. He has always shown a certain amount of independence of thought, and on that account has found favor with the general public.

Negotiations have been under way for some time with a view to having Sir Charles come to this city and address the electors on the situation. The Imperial Conservatives of this city look to Sir Charles somewhat as a leader, and doubtless a great many people, especially independent Conservatives, will be anxious to hear what he has to say.

GIVING RECITAL

The great English baritone, who is singing on Friday evening at the Empress ballroom in aid of the Esquimalt Red Cross. He will be heard in nearly a score of numbers, including many old favorites. Mrs. J. R. Green, pianiste, and Miss Eva Hart, soprano, are assisting.

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"The Humbug of Prohibition"

Is the title of an article specially written for, and published by The Sunday Chronicle, Manchester, England, July 23, 1916, and which throws some light upon ACTUAL CONDITIONS in dry states, and states that were "dry" but are now again "wet."

BY CHARLES STIRRUP
Our American Correspondent.

All over Great Britain this week men and women are being asked to sign a petition to Parliament in favor of the total prohibition of the sale of intoxicants for the duration of the war—and six months thereafter. In view of this movement the entirely unprejudiced article of our American correspondent will be read with great interest.

THERE was serious rioting recently in Atlanta, Ga., and the officials of that city ordered the 2,200 liquor saloons doing business there to be closed till the disturbances were over. Obviously the right thing to do, of course, and at first sight not a matter to call for special comment.

BUT—Georgia, of which Atlanta is the largest city, is one of America's Prohibition States!

The sale of alcoholic liquor is forbidden there by law, yet the authorities are not only well aware that it is retailed right under their noses in many hundreds of places in one city of 180,000 population, but recognize their existence by ordering them to be closed temporarily.

It is the same in the neighboring "Prohibition" State of Alabama. "Blind tigers"—otherwise illegal saloons—flourish. Occasionally a proprietor is arrested and tried.

There was such a case in the city of Mobile last week. The jury, to make quite sure of all the circumstances, ordered the incriminating evidence into Court and drank it. After which the case ended in a mistrial, and the "blind tiger" proprietor hastened back to business.

According to one of the leading papers of the State, "Mobile did not feel outraged at the conduct of the jury; there was no popular protest against such conduct."

STATUTES THAT ARE HUMBUG

The truth of the matter is that in neither Georgia nor Alabama, nor in some of the other States that have officially "gone dry," is the Liquor Law supported by public opinion. Consequently, it cannot be enforced.

In America there is no respect for a law just because it has been placed on the Statute Book. If large numbers of people don't like it they evade it, with little attempt at concealment.

Prohibition votes are obtained chiefly in the rural districts, and many residents of cities refuse to be coerced into abstinence by their country cousins and by neighbors who perhaps have "hit the trail" at the slangy exhortation of Billy Sunday.

They regard the statute as a joke and a humbug, existing to appease in some measure the tyrannous zeal of the "Drys" and at the same time leaving the "Wets" opportunities of imbibing that for which their tongues thirst.

That sheer humbug permeates some of the "Prohibition" statutes is hardly in dispute. Alabama, for instance, is so considerate of the man who is unregenerate enough to feel that liquor is indispensable to his happiness that he is permitted to import, monthly, a certain plentiful supply of spirits, wine, or beer.

If this does not quench his desires, or if he feels that drink tastes better in the saloon than at home, he has many "blind tigers" to which he can resort.

Nebraska prohibits the purchase of liquor within its borders, but there is no limit to the quantity anyone may import. A number of outside breweries and distilleries have developed fine businesses in exporting to the "Dry" state that Mr. Bryan has made famous.

(Note the similarity between Nebraska and the so-called B. C. Prohibition Act.)

A Further Installment To-morrow

Grey's Diplomacy and the Great War

From Toronto Mail and Empire.

In William Archer's "Thirteen Days" he devotes a chapter to a consideration of the assertion that if Britain had announced to Germany in those critical days that she would stand by France and Russia, Germany would have backed down and there would have been no war. Mr. Archer is convinced that those who take this position are mistaken, and he argues strongly against them, vindicating the diplomacy of Grey. From July 24, 1914, until Britain did actually declare war, France and Russia repeatedly urged her to come out upon their side, and said that if she did so the effect upon Germany and Austria would be salutary. The first suggestion was made by M. Sazonoff, the Russian foreign minister, and was answered by the British ambassador, who said that direct interests in Serbia were nil, and that British public opinion would never approve a war on Serbia's account. He also said that Britain could better play the part of a mediator, who might one day become an ally, than if she announced early in the negotiations her determination to support France and Russia.

Germany was Warned. When President Poincaré made similar representations they were not responded to as he desired. France and Russia then believed that an announcement such as they sought would have a favorable effect upon Germany. Sir Edward Grey thought differently. It is a mistake to suppose that Germany marched right to the brink of war in ignorance of the fact that Britain might oppose her. On the day before the appeal of the president of France Sir Edward Grey informed the German ambassador that he "did not wish him to be misled by the friendly tone of the conversation—which I hoped would stand aside." The German ambassador took no exception to this, and even said that it accorded with what he had already given in Berlin as his view of the situation. In Berlin Sir Edward Goschen was impressing upon the German government the same thing. Britain's neutrality could not be counted on; she reserved full freedom of action. Germany was fully warned at least 36 hours before her ultimatum to Russia. It may be, of course, that she thought that Britain was merely "bluffing," that she would be powerless to go through with the course hinted at; but this is not the fault of Grey.

Germany Deceived Herself. Still earlier than this, Sir Edward Grey pointed out to the Austrian ambassador that the British Grand Fleet, which was to have been dispersed on July 24, was kept assembled. This must have been significant, and we may take it as proved that if the Germans deceived themselves as to British action the fault was theirs. Grey was very frank with them. Mr. Archer thinks that the opposite course which Britain should have definitely pledged herself to France and Russia as soon as there was a prospect of war between Russia and Austria was not only impossible, but that if it had been adopted it would have merely hastened the end.

Before-the-War Sentiment. In considering this matter we must try to rid our minds of what we have learned since, and think only of what was known more than two years ago. Russia was not then popular with the average British citizen, and while Germany was properly disliked and distrusted by those who had studied her policy, the nation would never have supported Grey in making war on her for Serbia's sake. It was only when France and Belgium became involved that—British public opinion manifested itself. Even after Belgium's neutrality had been violated there was not wanting prominent English Liberal newspapers like the London News and prominent English public men who urged the policy of neutrality. They would have rent the heavens with their shrieks had Britain openly announced herself as the ally of Russia in the same sense that France was her ally. From the point of view of what was politically possible, Sir Edward Grey could not have declared further in advance than he did the course that Britain would pursue.

Germany's Decision Made. But supposing that this had been possible, what would the effect on Germany have been? We remember the German exasperation over the Moroccan question. There Britain had rudely called "halt," and Germany had obeyed. Would the German people, believing as they had been taught to believe that England was their enemy, and seeking to thwart their national ambitions on every hand, have tolerated a government that covered before another British threat? The opinion of Sir George Buchanan, British ambassador at St. Petersburg, was that Germany's back would have been stiffened by a British attitude of menace. We must remember, too, that Germany thought little of Britain's military strength, with the exception of her navy, and she probably considered that France would be crushed before British help would have become effective. If

we are correct in assuming that Germany was bent on war, then any statement of the British government would have had little effect upon her. Even at the last it is possible that British neutrality might have been purchased by Germany's willingness to respect Belgium, and Germany would not pay the price. Mr. Archer makes out a strong case for Sir Edward Grey's diplomacy as far as those critical days of two years ago is concerned.

GUSTO SOUNDED SUSPICIOUS.

"Young man," said the county counselor to the reporter of a southern paper, "you have done me irreparable harm."

"What have I done?" asked the bewildered reporter.

"I got in largely on a temperance platform, as you may recollect. And you speak of me in this morning's paper as 'drinking my coffee with gusto.' It will take me more than a lifetime to get it out of the heads of my constituents that gusto isn't some kind of alcoholic beverage."—New York Globe.

WORK.

People talk about the joy of having work to do.

But I don't think that I would miss my work a day or two.

It's nice to be so busy that you don't have time to think.

About you know and troubles big, from which you try to shrink.

But when I'm through with, or have leave from one long day's hard work, it seems to me much easier from troubles, too, to shrink.

I'm not against the optimist who sees the sunny side.

But talking of his work as nice is most too big a stride.

If work is such a joy for some, which I don't think can be.

I wish that they would do the work and leave the play for me.

—R. A. S.

WAIFS AND STRAYS

An announcement that nearly 30,000 members of the Grocers' Federation have joined the army or navy shows that the martial traditions of the trade are well maintained. In olden times the Grocers' Company played a useful part in national defence. One of the early masters, Sir John Philpot, finding that the government of Richard II. was too weak for the task, cleared the North Sea of a horde of Scotch pirates by means of a fleet equipped entirely at his own expense. The Grocers' Company was commanded in 1557, to furnish 60 men for "the resistance of such iniquitous attempts as may be made by foreign enemies." Further demands of the same kind were satisfied in successive years, and in 1588 the company supplied 600 men to resist the Spanish Armada.—London Chronicle.

Although coca is accurately described as a plant, it is, in appearance, a bush taller than the tallest man. South America produces large quantities, but it is also extensively grown in India and the West Indies, Java, and Ceylon. One cannot with perfect fairness describe the eight million beings who chew the coca leaf as victims of the cocaine drug habit, for the leaf contains only one per cent. of the drug. Peruvian Indians in particular are so devoted to coca that they carry a special pouch for the leaf, and knock off work three or four times a day to celebrate "chocchar," a polite game for the chewing ceremony.—London Chronicle.

Out on Egypt's sands the Territorials were camped. The captain of the company was all that a captain should not be. He was short and stout and round of shoulder. Needless to say, among his men he was known as "Humpty." One night, on returning to camp, the sentry let him go unchallenged, and so roused his military wrath. "What the Blue Abbatian mountains do you mean?" he snapped out. "Why didn't you demand the counter-sentry?" The sentry trembled with fear so badly that his wits got shaken. "Bedad, sir," he stammered, "I thought you was a c-c-camel."

The intelligent child was listening intently at the breakfast table while her elders were discussing the spread of the cocaine habit. It was only when the conjecture was hazarded that the evil was as prevalent in the provinces as in London that she intervened in the conversation. "Oh, no, mother," she said, "I don't think so, because Miss Smith was only telling us the other day that London is called the land of Cockaigne."—London Chronicle.

"I just stopped to tell you about that flour you sent me the other day," said Mrs. Newlywed. "Why, madam," answered the grocer, "that was the best flour I carry in stock. What was the matter with it?" "Matter, indeed! Why, it was so tough my husband couldn't eat the biscuits I made with it."

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"Are they good to their children?" "Good to them? I should say they are. They spoiled every one of them before he was 2 years old."

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Talks to Big Audience About
Life in Trenches

Because he takes his audience in an
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Owen, return chaplain of the 29th Bat-
talion, Tobin's Tigers, is certain to con-
tinue popular for the duration of his
furlough in Canada. Last night he
spoke to well over a thousand people
at the First Presbyterian church, and
the ovation which he was given on ris-
ing to his feet was interpreted by him
at once as being evidence of the keen
interest taken by the people of Victoria
in the boys at the front. He would
carry the greeting back with him when
he returned to France in September.

The narrative was divided into two
parts. Keenly alive to what his au-
dience wished to hear, the speaker
stepped right out into the fighting line
and told his hearers of the little every-
day events which fill up the soldier's
life at the front. First of all it was
appropriate to speak of the responsi-
bility which Canada had assumed in a
war from which she would not be pre-
cluded. The flag for which they were
fighting was the finest in the world,
and of all those who dwell beneath that
banner there were none more highly
thought of than the men of Canada,
who had magnificently and at awful
cost helped to retain its stainless
record.

Lessons of War.
And there were lessons to be derived
from the war. The children in the
schools must be taught something more
than singing patriotic songs. They
must be taught something of what
they owed to the empire and to the
flag which meant freedom such as was
unknown by any other nation in the
world.

"We should realize the necessity of
training the boys before such an emer-
gency as that which has just arisen.
We see what France has done. We see
what Australia has done. Canada
should have trained soldiers who would
be able to come forward at a moment's
notice. I am not underrating what the
Dominion's soldiers have done. Their
part cannot be spoken of too highly."

Another matter on which the soldier
merely touched, but very feelingly, was
that of prohibition. He had, he said,
never taken a part in party politics. In
that way he never discussed the ques-
tion of prohibition. But he had always
regretted that when the king made his
request from the empire and in his
personal example of "putting down the
cup" had been joined by that noble
man, Lord Kitchener, that the empire
did not answer the appeal.

"It is not often that I have felt
ashamed of the empire," said Major
Owen. "But I was of that. Russia set
the good example as a nation. We
failed to follow. I shall always be
sorry."

"We have not yet grasped the source
of true strength. I have never doubted
for one moment that the victory is ours.
I know it from the bravery of our men.
And our cause is just. But victory
rests with God. And when the victory
comes it is to be decided by God Him-
self and not by troops or generals. One
of the reasons why the sacrifice has
been so long drawn out is that we have
not listened to that cry of Admiral
Beatty, who said 'The war will be over
only when the nation repent and pray.'"

Red Cross at the Front.

Of the assisting agencies at work at
the front, Major Owen spoke briefly.
He could not say too much of the splen-
did work being done by the Red Cross
Society. It was marvellous to see the
risks that were run by the doctors in
this service. Very rarely did they re-
ceive the credit which they should for
their gallantry. No matter how many
wounded there were or how rushed the
doctors and their assistants they were
always ready, active, and supplied with
all the necessary materials for the
treatment of injured men. The stretch-
er-bearers were also doing heroic work,
going into the most dangerous parts of
the battlefield without flinching, pass-
ing through the hottest part of the fir-
ing to bring in the wounded.

The great value of hot cocoas,
etc., to the men was alluded to. A
great many people were engaged in
supplying this comfort to the soldiers,
and it meant much to them. One man
who had met during the winter at
one of these places had told him that
he had not had a hot drink of any kind
for twenty-one days.

The heroic work of the "runners,"
men who carried messages when the
wires were all out and communication
with headquarters was impossible, was
touched upon. One had had been told
by his colonel that perhaps a thousand
lives depended on his delivery of the
message at headquarters. "I just
thought of what mother would say,"
said the runner (still running while
Major Owen ran beside him), "and so
I ran like a—"

It meant much to the men to have
the right supplies at the right time.
The cook was one of the much elated
members of the service, and yet the
work of the utmost importance, was
faithfully performed under conditions
more often than not very hazardous
and difficult.

System of Resting.

The marvellous system which has
been evolved in order that all the men
have six days out of every twenty-four
for resting in billets was outlined by
Major Owen, who proceeded to tell the
audience of the manner in which the
Canadian army was organized. There
were three chaplains for each brigade,
one a Roman Catholic, one an Anglican
and one Protestant of any other de-
nomination.

The increase in the number of ma-
chine guns in use at the front was

subject of comment. The front line
trenches were now well equipped with
small guns; there were larger ones at
higher vantage points behind those;
and at the back a third variety of ma-
chine guns. The increased equipment
was cause for congratulation, as there
was no doubt that one of the greatest
causes of the heavy losses suffered at
the beginning of the war was because
of the few machine guns. It was no
secret, furthermore, that shortly the
British army was bringing into use an
enormous trench mortar which would
be able to throw shells of over two
hundred pounds weight into the Ger-
man lines. These would blow holes 20
feet deep. And in the trenches, the
guns, rifles, grenades, bombs, etc., the
British were waking up, and were re-
alizing the need of having something
to meet the Germans. In the beginning
the German snipers did a lot of mis-
chief. But it was matter for congrat-
ulation that the western Canadian sol-
diers accustomed to the use of weapons
in the woods were now picking off the
Germans in a way which at least com-
pensated to some extent for the loss
of good men at the hands of riflemen
posted in hidden places. It was noth-
ing nowadays to hear of a Canadian
sniper accounting for twenty-five or
twenty-seven Germans in a day.

Nursing Sisters.
Reminded to speak of the nurses Ma-
jor Owen said that everyone appreci-
ated the very real part which this
branch of the service was taking. "If
you knew the way in which the boys
look forward to going back to where
the nurses are you would not ask
whether they are popular," he said.

The work of the signallers also came
in for special mention. Their work
was one of the most important as well
as the most dangerous in the whole
army, as they had to keep the com-
munications going no matter what hap-
pened. A brief but hearty tribute was
given to the navy, that watchful, per-
sistent, tireless watchdog which patrolled
the seas and kept the Huns from
touching transport or mail-boats. And
incidentally the speaker referred here
to the wonderful way in which the
mails had come through from the very
beginning. It was a matter for thank-
fulness that this was so, as the receiv-
ing of letters from home meant much
to the men. As an instance of how
perfectly the system worked, Major
Owen stated that one doctor whom he
knew had received no less than eleven
three parcels last Christmas. Others,
on the contrary, had got none. He
hoped that people would not forget
that some of the boys had no friends,
and that to them a little parcel now
and again would be a Godsend.

The communicating trenches were
graphically described and their pur-
pose made apparent. At first these
were an indescribable quagmire in
which men struggled with mud and
water, often coming out bootless. It
was not until the trenches were made
that wounded men arrived at the
dressing stations with gunny-sacks
tied on to both feet, in lieu of the lost
boots. Now these trenches were
drained, mats were down, and a com-
parative degree of comfort attained
which would have been thought im-
possible in those first days. The system
of building the parapets with sand-
bags was sketched, and the usefulness
of the periscope pointed out. Many
men had lost their lives by sticking
their heads out of the trench to have
a peep at the enemy. The periscopes
made it possible to see without being
seen, and the fact that they were often
shot away mattered little, as they were
easily constructed and the fondness of
the Belgians for plate-glass mirrors in
their homes made it possible to secure
the essential reflectors for the little
apparatus.

Comfortable Dugouts.

The dugouts were comparatively
comfortable, being something like the
sod huts so well known in western
Canada. They were built with sand-
bags, were usually very low, and were
substantially built, which very often
wrecked them. Some of the es-
capes were marvellous. It sometimes
seemed as if deliverance had been
given just to afford the survivor with
another opportunity to think.

The nonchalance of some of the sol-
diers was startling. One officer, the
first Canadian to go over the German
lines, was now a national hero. From
one German dug-out to another he
would go, fearlessly opening the door
and drawing out: "Do any of you
chaps want to surrender?" If there
was no answer he would call out to
those behind him: "Then pitch in a
bomb."

Keep in Touch With Movements.

"When I can like to tell things to
the credit of the enemy," said Major
Owen. "While you hear a great deal
about the abuse of our men as pris-
oners, it is only just to say that many
of our men of the 29th Battalion who
were taken sent over word that they
were being well looked after. And I must
tell you of a German sergeant who was
taken prisoner by us. He was one of
the German Red Cross men, and for
hours afterwards he worked tirelessly
on the Canadian wounded, under heavy
fire, turning in some of the best dress-
ings that came back to the station."
The Saxons are very different to the
others. One of our scouts was hit by
their machine guns. We could not go
over and bring the body in ourselves,
but the Germans threw over a note
with a hand-grenade saying just where
the body was buried, and if an un-
armed man were sent they would let
him return with it to the Canadian
line.

The German and Canadian front line
trenches sometimes had lain as near as
35 yards apart. It had always been
cause for wonder how the Germans
kept in touch with the movements of
the British troops. One day a new
battalion had come in to relieve one of
the Canadian units. A German had
called over to ask how the colonel
(whom he called by name) was. They
asked him how he knew the colonel. He
replied that he had often shaved him.
The assumption was that the German
had been a barber in Canada at one
time. How they found out about bat-
talion movements was a mystery. It
was, many supposed, through "tapping
the wires." In order to conceal their
identity in conversation over the tele-
phone the 29th now never referred to

itself by that name, but preferred to
be "Mary" or "Martha," or some equal-
ly misleading pseudonym.

Further incidents of the way in which
the German scouts kept in touch with
the movements of the Canadian and
British troops were told. They seemed
to know everything. Once just after
the 29th moved into new headquarters
the shelling became so severe that they
decided they would have to get out. No
sooner were they in their new position
than the shelling again became too
much for them. A third time they
moved, this time into a house. In order
to discover the system of detection by
the enemy they left the lights burning
and crawled out under cover of the
dark. Half an hour later the house was
shelled down. They searched round,
found a person whom they had sup-
posed to be a woman, but who later
proved to be a man, on the premises,
evidently in communication with the
enemy. Such things put the soldier on
his guard, made him see the necessity
of being alert and watchful.

The Canadian scouts had no less
reasons to run. In the night they crept
down to the enemy lines to glean what
information they could from the chance
conversations they might overhear or
movements which they might discover.
One scout crawled down the bed of a
stream, crouched under a log near the
German lines, from his safe hiding
place got into conversation with the
Saxons who chatted quite freely with-
out giving any information of value,
and finally departed at their own sug-
gestion because their officers were due
shortly. The fearlessness of another
scout who walked down the ridge of a
parapet in full view of the enemy,
making careful note of the weaknesses
of each yard, was subject of admiring
comment.

Votes of Thanks.

Major Owen sat down amid long-
drawn-out applause. Rear-Admiral
Story moved a hearty vote of thanks,
expressing the wish that the speaker
had touched at greater length on the
subject of universal service, in favor
of which he was outspoken. The late
Lord Roberts gave many years of his
life to the preaching of this doctrine.
If his advice had been listened to per-
haps the war would never have taken
place. Universal service would teach
the young men discipline, it would
make the man a better citizen, a bet-
ter husband and father, and would give
the nation an army ready to step up
to the moment the call came. Admiral
Story's vote of thanks was warmly
seconded by Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick.

During the evening a collection in aid
of the returned soldiers was taken,
\$178 being subscribed. As the event
was given in behalf of the men who
have fought so bravely for home and
empire three rows of seats were re-
served for them.

Major Owen wore on his breast the
ribbon which he won for service in the
Riel rebellion, when he marched in six
days all the way from Swift Current
to Battleford in two feet of snow.

Other Speakers.

Hon. Alexander Stewart, mayor of
Victoria, presided as chairman of the
meeting. With him on the platform be-
side Major the Rev. C. C. Owen were
Rev. J. G. Inkster, pastor of the church;
A. C. Flumerfelt, R. H. Swinerton, Rev.
F. A. P. Chadwick, Rear-Admiral
Story, Senator Macdonald, Mr. Wil-
liams and Captain Gordon Smith.
Chairs were reserved nearby for Miss
Crease, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Dennis Cox,
Mrs. David Miller and others asso-
ciated with the Returned Soldiers, the
Red Cross, and Blue Cross.

Mr. Flumerfelt took liberties with the
time, but made a very fine appeal for
the three interests which were specially
represented in the meeting, viz., the
Returned Soldiers, the Red Cross, and
the Blue Cross. The remarkable way
in which Canada had responded to the
call of empire came in for praise. Of
both men and money she had given
well, providing no less than \$420,000,000
in the former connection and an army
of over 350,000. She had 422 munition
factories working, had raised in the
neighborhood of \$6,000,000 for pa-
triotic purposes, had contributed food
to the value of \$5,000,000, and given to
the extent of \$2,000,000 for the Bel-
gians. Great Britain had raised a giant
army of five million men, had cleared
the seas of the enemy, had chased the
German fleet back from Jutland to her
own harbors. Of the Red Cross Mr.
Flumerfelt also spoke at length, and
special mention was made of the work
of the Superfluous rooms in Victoria,
which had provided already \$10,000 for
the fund, conducting the work at a
cost of one-half of one per cent. The
big part played by the women in the
conduct of the war was subject for
praise.

The Arion Club was present, conduct-
ed by Frank Sehl, and accompanied at
the piano by P. Hughes. They sang
"Men of Harlech," a fine stirring melo-
dy which made a good opening for
such a programme, and as a closing
number sang "Glory and Love to the
Men of Old." Mrs. R. H. Pooley and
Mrs. Longfield sang appropriate solos,
the former giving a particularly pleas-
ing version of "Laddie in Khaki,"
while the latter among other things
sang "Voices of Home." Mrs. A. J.
Gibson accompanied nicely for Mrs.
Pooley, and Mr. Longfield for Mrs.
Longfield.

At the very close of the proceedings
Capt. Gordon Smith, of the 143rd B. C.
Bantams, appealed for recruits, urging
the ladies, who were greatly in the
majority in the audience, to use their
influence to get the men who remained
behind to see their responsibilities. One
man had told him that the family was
already represented in the service by
one brother, seeming to consider that
this exempted the rest from responsi-
bility to the empire. He wished they
were imbued with the spirit of a
family of 18 brothers, one of whom be-
longed to the Bantams and was anx-
ious to get away to the front, although
seven of them had already been killed
in action and seven others were wear-
ing khaki.

Customer—"Do you keep cycling
caps?" Would-be witty Shopman—
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